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News worth sharing.

Premier Alison Redford meets with her caucus at the Alberta Legislature Building on Wednesday, one week after winning the provincial election and on the day a new report was tabled calling for a new MLA pay structure.

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Wage cut for MLAs: Report

John Major.
Retired judge advises streamlining MLA pay and reducing transition allowance

Lighter wallets could be on the horizon for Alberta MLAs after a report tabled in the legislature called for a radically simplified salary structure that could result in a pay cut for most of them.

Retired judge John Major says the province should scrap the bewildering spiderweb of base salary with extra pay for committees with a single paycheque of \$134,000, compared with the current average of \$160,000 with benefits and extra payments included.

Major also recommended the Speaker of House and leader of the Opposition receive an extra \$67,000.

When it comes to the premier, Major recommended that person be paid \$268,000 this year, with a raise to \$301,500 the following year and \$335,000 in 2014.

Premier Alison Redford's current salary is \$211,000 — the highest of any provincial premier.

Major's committee was created out of a promise made by Redford during her campaign for the leadership of Alberta's Progressive Conservative party.

The review was initially met with indifference. Hearings slated for Grande Prairie and Fort McMurray were cancelled due to a lack of participants.

But interest grew after the Canadian Taxpayers Federation revealed the existence of a legislative committee that never met, and yet its members were paid \$1,000 a month. The so-called money-for-nothing committee eventually became a major headache for Redford's Tories during the campaign.

Eventually, all MLAs on that committee repaid the money, led by the Liberal and Wildrose parties.

Redford said she needs more time to digest the report, but was surprised by the recommendation to hike her salary.

"I could not take that. I would not take that. It is not what Albertans want," Redford told reporters. "I don't think that's appropriate."

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Sting out

Mosquito season is on the way, and city pest crews are busy installing light traps to make the warmer weather a little less itchy

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Mall bonding

Who says malls are just for women? A growing number of men are taking an interest in crafting a stylish wardrobe, fashion insiders say

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Idle-free zone?

Council passes bylaw forbidding motorists from idling outside schools and health clinics, though there will be exemptions, councillors say

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Politics

Mandel willing to meet with Smith

Edmonton Mayor Stephen Mandel and Wildrose party Leader Danielle Smith have never officially met or spoken.

But now that the provincial election is over and the Wildrose failed to gain any seats in Alberta's capital city, Smith would like to repair the relationship.

Contact was made Wednesday.

"I've never met Danielle Smith," said Mandel. "I don't know whether it's honest or playful or (what) it is."

"My understanding is they've called our office for some kind of appointment and I'm assuming that we'll obviously meet with them."

During her shadow-cabinet unveiling Tuesday, when she named herself cities critic, Smith said she would like to press the reset button on her relationship with Mandel — and even went so far as to suggest, somewhat in jest, that Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi "broker a peace summit."

During the election campaign, Mandel spoke out against Smith when she stated the Royal Alberta Museum should be put on hold and that she wanted to re-open the City Centre Airport redevelopment debate, saying she was going after the vision and opportunities of one city.

Should they meet, Mandel isn't sure what to expect from Smith — but knows what to expect from himself.

"I'll be frank," he said. "I always am, I always will be."

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Mike Jenkins, Edmonton's biological sciences technician, installs a mosquito light trap near the entrance of the Beechmount Cemetery on Wednesday.

HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Mosquito-season countdown begins

Annual installation.
Light traps important tool for monitoring adult mosquito population



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Mosquitoes will begin to see the light this week — which will help city pest crews monitor the biters.

The city has nine light traps that are installed annually, consisting of a 25-watt lightbulb on a timer that turns on at dusk and

off at dawn.

"It draws in the night fliers ... and then the fan in there sucks them down into a killing jar in the bottom," Mike Jenkins, the city's biological sciences technician, said Wednesday while installing a light trap in a tree at the Beechmount Cemetery.

The adult bugs are then collected, counted and analyzed.

There are more than 30 different species in Edmonton, and last year there was a high number of aggressive daytime biters, which weren't found in the traps, said Jenkins, adding the city has found a way to tar-

get those bugs.

Other monitoring includes testing standing water for larvae, while actual pesticide treatment on larvae — which was done for the first time this year about a month ago — depends on populations found while monitoring.

Heavy rainfall last summer increased the mosquito population, but Jenkins said it's still too early to determine if the biting will be as bad this year.

"Without actually knowing how much rainfall we're going to get, it's hard to give any hard predictions," he said. "So far, it's been relatively dry."

Pest control

Some key facts about the city's mosquito monitoring:

- The light traps are generally put up the first week of May and taken down in September.
- Light traps have been used within the city's mosquito control program since 1975.
- This year's mosquito budget was increased by \$300,000 to \$950,000 during 2012 budget deliberations.

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On the web

Hitmakers Train go from Grammys to grapes

Going backstage with the rock band Train may not be quite what you expect from a Grammy-winning, multi-platinum group. Instead of groupies, you'll find wine glasses and bottles of their latest hit — their own wine. Get the full story at metronews.ca

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Crime. Police identify homicide victim

Edmonton police have identified the city's latest homicide victim.

EPS said Dennis James Moyah, 34, died as a result of injuries he sustained from an assault. According to police, they responded to an altercation between two men around 5 a.m. Sunday, near 95 Avenue and 87 Street.

EMS treated a victim on scene and took him to hospital, where he later died. Brian Leonard Sawatsky, 26,



Dennis James Moyah
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has been charged with manslaughter. **METRO**

Theft. Former police employee charged

A former civilian employee of the Edmonton Police Service has been charged with theft and fraud after more than \$86,000 went missing from a community cadet program last year.

The Police Cadets program is a joint venture between EPS and a group of parent volunteers.

Funding for the non-profit program is raised through parent volunteers.

In 2011, records showed

financial irregularities, EPS said.

EPS charged former non-sworn employee, John Alvin Jerke, 36, with fraud over \$5,000, theft over \$5,000, uttering forged documents and forgery.

His first court date is scheduled for June 28.

Cadets are youth between the ages of 14 and 20 who have an interest in law enforcement or volunteering. **METRO**

Anticipation builds for spring camping season in Alberta

In the wild. Online bookings are made months in advance, but many sites are still available



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As the calendar flips to May, many Albertans begin to think about summer and camping.

While some may wait until the last minute to find the perfect camping spot, other Albertans have had their reservations in the books since February, thanks to the Alberta Reserves website.

Camille Weleschuk, spokesperson for Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation, said a lot of campsites in Alberta have already been booked for the May Long weekend.

"For May long weekend, people started back in February, but there are still lots available," she said, noting that the most popular campsites are near Alberta's

Reservation rules:

- Reservations can be made up to 90 days in advance.
- The maximum stay is 16 consecutive nights.
- A maximum of four campsites can be reserved in one transaction.

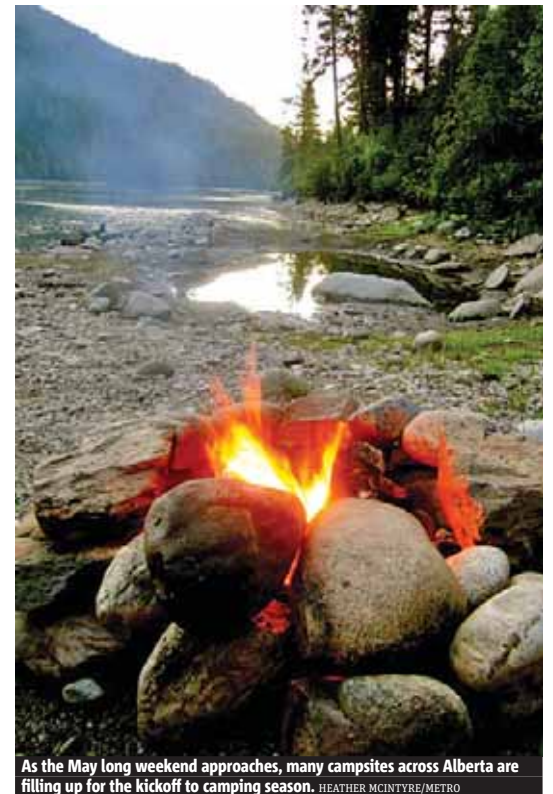
larger centres.

But some users find the website frustrating.

Edmontonian Susan Wetzstein would rather the province stagger campsites so they don't all release at once. She often doesn't know well ahead of time where or when she wants to go camping.

"Unless you're really proactive all the time and know specifically where you want to go and the sites you want, I don't think it's a very user-friendly system," she said.

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As the May long weekend approaches, many campsites across Alberta are filling up for the kickoff to camping season. HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Premier pushing for Highway 63 twinning

Alberta Premier Alison Redford says the province needs to act faster on

twinning Highway 63.

Last Friday, seven people were killed in a head-on crash on the two-lane highway, which is the only way into and out of Fort McMurray.

Redford told reporters Wednesday that she was saddened about what happened. She says in the current capital plan, it was

always planned to have at least 50 per cent of the highway twinned within three years.

Redford says she will ask the transportation minister, after cabinet is sworn in, to make twinning Highway 63 a priority.

"Highway 63 is a unique road in this prov-

ince. It is busy and there are safety issues on the road. Of course we know there are challenges with respect to construction.

"I have asked our department to take a look at what an accelerated schedule would look like. I think it's a priority to move ahead with that."

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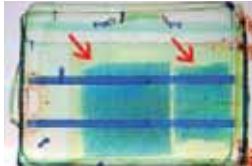
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Drugs seized. Airport bust nets \$4M in dope

X-rays of baggage at the Calgary International Airport have led law-enforcement officials to a multimillion-dollar drug bust.

A female passenger arrived on an international overseas flight and an X-ray of the 30-year-old's luggage eventually led to the discovery of roughly four kilograms of dope, believed to be heroin, according to the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA).

RCMP Sgt. Patricia Neely estimates the purchasing



X-ray images in a suspected heroin seizure. CONTRIBUTED/CBSA

value of the drug at around \$150,000 per kilogram, but CBSA estimates the street value would equal roughly \$4 million. **TESSA CLAYTON/FOR METRO**

Proposal

Final workshop for City Centre Airport

The final public-consultation workshop for the City Centre Airport redevelopment plans will take place Thursday.

The workshop at Jefferson Room, Prince of Wales Armories at 6 p.m. will focus on proposed designs, including roads, parking, land use and green space.

Consultation information will be presented to council this fall. **METRO**

\$9.641 million on transit

Natural-gas pilot approved for buses

Edmonton Transit will pilot two compressed natural-gas buses starting this winter.

On Wednesday, city council approved the release of \$9.641 million to test them, as well as to replace five diesel buses and refurbish current ones.

Transportation boss Bob Boutilier said the CNG buses need to be tested in cold temperatures before being added to the fleet. **METRO**

Computer use. Calgary cop charged in alleged tracing scheme

Calgary police have laid charges against one of their own in an alleged "skip-tracing" scheme.

According to police, 21-year veteran Gerard Brand, 45, is alleged to have used a computer between March 2010 and August 2011 to access police-related databases for the purpose of generating contact information for a number of people.

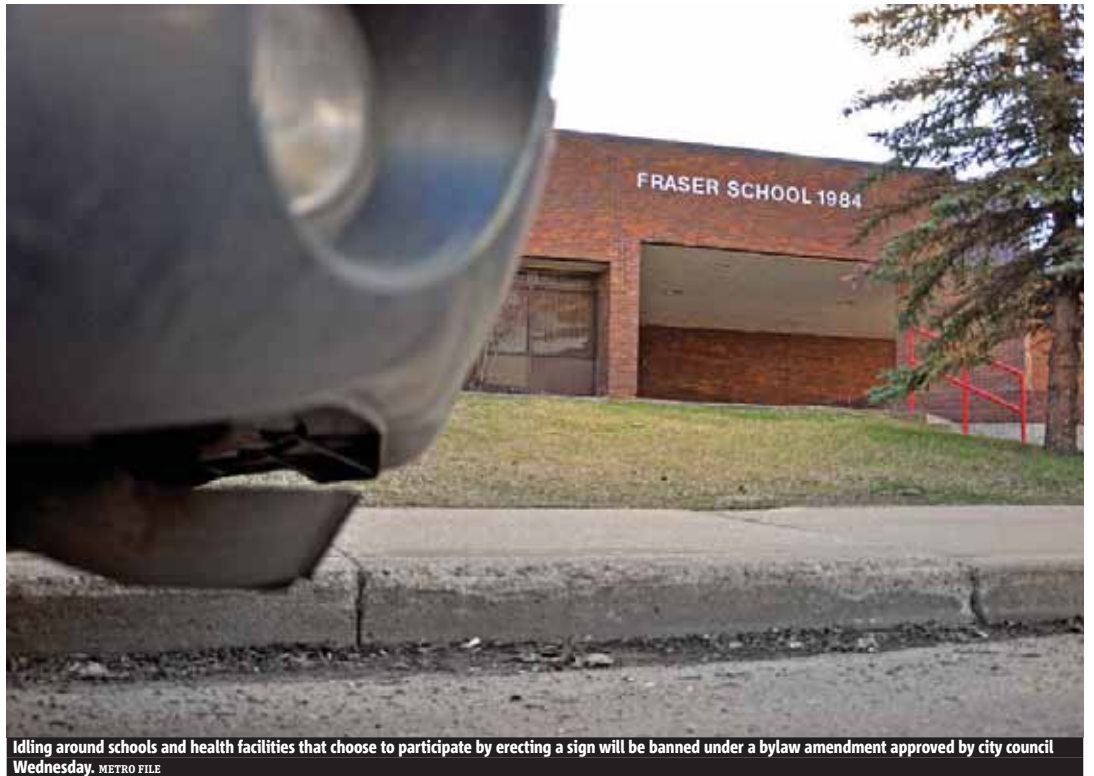
Police say the information was allegedly used for "skip-tracing" purposes. Skip-tracing is the process of locating a person who is often being tracked

by businesses that are owed money, and can be a part of a civil-suit process.

Police stated Wednesday that officers may only access the police database in the execution of their duties, and that the information accessed is used for policing purposes such as the investigation of offences.

Brand faces one count of unauthorized use of a computer and breach of trust and has been taken off duty with pay, police said.

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Idling around schools and health facilities that choose to participate by erecting a sign will be banned under a bylaw amendment approved by city council Wednesday. **METRO FILE**

First anti-idling bylaw approved

Council debates benefits. City will launch a campaign encouraging compliance before enforcement



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Motorists will not be able to idle outside schools and health facilities next year, thanks to Edmonton's first anti-idling bylaw.

In effect Jan. 1, 2013, vehicles can only run for five minutes of every 30-minute period around schools and health facilities that request and pay for a sign to be installed.

The bylaw is only in effect if the temperature is above 0 C, and taxis, buses and emergency vehicles are completely exempt.

The bylaw passed 7-4. "I'm not sure why we're doing this," said Mayor Stephen Mandel, who along with councillors Kerry Diotte, Ed Gibbons and Tony Caterina did not support the bylaw.

Facing fines

- Elementary schools will be first, but as many as 319 schools and 18 health facilities could want signs erected, at \$400 each.
- The fine for idling will be \$250.

Mandel said it will be "intermittent," as some facilities may want signs while others won't. But Coun. Ben Henderson

said the support is there, as he has heard from staff and students at specific schools where there are health issues.

A citywide ban has been considered in the past, but council took a geographical approach this time.

"This is not intended to be draconian," said Coun. Don Iveson. "It is intended, like other bylaws we pass ... (to encourage) voluntary compliance."

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Call centres

Edmonton's 311 ranked No. 1

Edmonton's 311 is No. 1, according to an international industry leader.

Benchmark Portal recently rated call centres, in both the public and private sectors throughout North America, on call volumes, speed to answer calls and caller satisfaction.

Edmonton's was No. 1 when compared with others of the same size — between 101 and 250 agents.

The 24-hour line, which opened in December 2008, handles more than 160,000 calls per month. There were 1.8 million calls last year.

Effective and efficient isn't what city councillors were calling it late last year during budget deliberations, though.

"Sometimes it takes longer than the customer wants and I (do) hear complaints from the public," Coun. Amarjeet Sohi said Wednesday, noting information requests are sent to different departments.

Councillors were also concerned to learn each call costs the city \$5.

But with budget trims needed, they voted down a more than \$600,000 request to hire 12 more operators, which have kept wait times at 30 seconds instead of doubling them.

The goal is 25 seconds. Despite the "complex" issues, the recognition is deserved, said Sohi.

"I think the people who work at 311 are wonderful," he said. "They're very effective and very polite and very professional in communicating with the public."

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Blu's store manager Tracy Bradley holds some of the business wear being donated at the downtown store. The drive continues through the weekend. LUCY HAINES/FOR METRO

Event cuts clothes cost for women

Trade-in. Event sees retailer deliver quality business clothing to local women's charity

LUCY HAINES
For Metro in Edmonton

Women spend a lot of money on clothes, and those who need professional or business wear for a job often spend even more.

An Edmonton business is trying to do their part to bridge that financial gap for low-income women.

Blu's Womens Wear holds a twice yearly Wardrobe Trade-in, where customers can drop off women's busi-

Charitable clothing

- Suit Yourself has helped over 2,200 women in its 10-year history
- Clean, gently worn blazers, blouses, pants, skirts and office dresses of any size can be donated to Blu's two city locations through May 6, and donors get a

\$75 store gift card

- Donations are accepted year-round at Suit Yourself, 9507 108 Avenue. The local charity distributes quality clothing free of charge to low income women looking for work or changing jobs.

ness clothing, shoes and handbags for donation to Suit Yourself.

Tracy Bradley, manager of Blu's downtown store, said the charity is ecstatic about the variety and quality of the donations, which amount to several hundred

pieces per drive.

"We choose this charity because of the professional job they do with their clients," said Bradley. "For many customers, it's just a change in taste or style, but the clothing still has plenty of life, and can help another woman."

What the Truck?! Food truck stops to take over Old Strathcona

Food trucks will be taking over McIntyre Park in Old Strathcona during mini-food truck festivals Thursdays in May to lead up to Edmonton's larger food truck festival, What the Truck?!

Four food trucks — Drift, Eva Sweet, Fat Franks and Molly's Eats — will be in the park from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday for the inaugural Truck Stop event. Vendors and menus will change weekly.

Drift will be offering a variety of sandwiches, Eva Sweet will have Liege

By the numbers

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The number of food trucks at the event.

waffles, Fat Franks will have classic hot dogs, and Molly's Eats will have several gluten-free menu items. More menu information can be found at whatthetruck.ca.

What the Truck?! will take place in June. METRO

New polymer \$20 shown off in Calgary. Goes into circulation in November

Canadians got their first look at the new \$20 bill Wednesday.

This new \$20 note will replace the old paper notes that make up half of the volume of banknotes in circulation in Canada.

"This is the work horse note of our economy," said Ted Mieszkalski, senior regional representative of the Currency Department with the Bank of Canada.

The new polymer note features an updated picture of the Queen and pays tribute to the contributions and sacrifices of Canadian men and women in all military conflicts, and fea-



Tim Mieszkalski of the Bank of Canada shows off the new \$20 polymer bill in Calgary on Wednesday. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

tures the Canadian National Vimy Memorial.

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Viral video. Cabbie who allegedly ran over man gets bail, can drive again

A taxi driver who allegedly ran over a man in a dramatic incident seen on a YouTube video is now allowed to get back behind the wheel.

A judge granted bail Wednesday to Guercy Edmond, while fellow cabbies crowded around the Montreal courthouse and greeted the decision by ceremoniously honking their horns.

The 47-year-old taxi driver was released after a hearing where details emerged about his highly publicized case. There were allegations of a racially charged encounter with three intoxicated clients that supposedly escalated during a ride in the wee hours Sunday.

After hearing the testimony a judge declared that Edmond — who is accused of four crimes, including hit-and-run — clearly acted in panic.

The judge scolded the prosecution for keeping the man in jail since the weekend, and also chided it for failing to produce any video evidence in court.

The judge fumed that even he had seen the images, on TV, and expressed exaspera-



A sign of support is posted on a windshield as taxi drivers gather outside a Montreal court.

GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

tion that they hadn't been filed as evidence.

While awaiting his next court date Edmond can continue driving a cab, under several conditions.

He must refrain from picking up fares between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. in the sector of downtown Montreal where the alleged incident occurred.

His wife signed an undertaking for \$3,000 bail and Edmond also agreed to not have any contact with three people involved in the altercation, including the man who suffered serious injuries.

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Convicted murderer Ronald Smith becomes emotional during his Montana clemency hearing Wednesday. MICHAEL GALLACHER/THE MISSOULIAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Killer weeps as sister pleads for his life

Death row. 'I honestly do not know what I'd do without my brother by my side,' she says of the Canadian

A daughter's sadness

"I've seen a man who has many regrets about the things he has done. He shows his remorse in his eyes and in his voice." Carmen Blackburn, Ronald Smith's daughter

in 1982, lost control when his sister Rita Duncan read a letter he'd written to their mother after her death last year. Smith covered his eyes, brushed away tears and was patted on the shoulder by his lawyer.

Duncan said although she

shut Smith out of her life for years, he has always loved her and she is proud to be his sister.

"I honestly do not know what I would do without my brother by my side," said Duncan, her voice quavering.

"I can't bear the thought

of losing another brother and I'm sorry if this sounds selfish."

She asked people in the packed courtroom to put themselves in her place.

Originally from Red Deer, Alta., Smith, 54, has been on death row since shooting Thomas Running Rabbit and Harvey Mad Man Jr. near East Glacier, Mont., 30 years ago.

Smith is asking the Board of Pardons and Parole to recommend his death sentence be commuted.

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Washing ashore

Harley-Davidson motorbike floats from Japan to B.C. after tsunami

Call it the Harley of the high seas.

A rust-encrusted Harley-Davidson motorcycle, made buoyant by the container in which it was stored, has washed up on an island off British Columbia after it was lost in last year's tsunami in Japan.

It floated over the 6,400 kilometres after the devastating wave washed across

the Japanese shoreline in March last year.

"This is unmistakably mine," the bike's owner, Ikuo Yokoyama, told a Japanese TV station after he was located through the licence plate and shown photos of his ride. Yokoyama added: "It's miraculous."

One of the eeriest discoveries after the tsunami came last month when a fishing boat was spotted floating in the Gulf of Alaska.

A U.S. cutter fired on and sank the vessel after it was deemed a hazard to shipping and to the coastline.

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Activist fears for family

Chen Guangcheng.

Blind Chinese legal activist concerned despite American-brokered agreement

The blind Chinese activist at the centre of a six-day diplomatic tussle between the U.S. and China said he fears for his family's lives and wants to leave China, hours after American officials announced an agreement with Beijing that was to guarantee his safety.

Chen Guangcheng escaped from illegal house arrest and other mistreatment in his rural town, placing himself under the protection of U.S. diplomats last week.

On Wednesday, after six days holed up inside the American embassy, he emerged and was taken to a nearby hospital.

U.S. officials said they had extracted from the Chinese government a promise that Chen would reunite with his family.

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The path of the dissident

Chinese dissidents who leave can't return

Chinese dissidents know their influence can fade after they leave the country, and they face the possibility of never coming home.

Wei Jingsheng was a soldier and electrician whose faith in China's communist order was shaken by Mao Zedong's ruinous policies. Wei spent 17 years in prison for urging reforms. Rebiya Kadeer was once considered a success in China: an ethnic Uighur from the far region of Xinjiang who became a millionaire. But she was arrested in 1999 and sentenced to eight years in prison for mailing newspaper reports of anti-Chinese unrest to her husband overseas and for trying to give a list of political prisoners to the U.S. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A woman signs her name as a show of support for blind Chinese legal activist Chen Guangcheng during an event in Hong Kong on Wednesday. KIN CHEUNG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. presidential race

Gingrich ends campaign

Newt Gingrich officially ended his campaign on Wednesday, and President Barack Obama's re-election campaign released a web video of clips from the Republican primaries in which the former House speaker sharply criticized Mitt Romney.

Gingrich led the Republicans out of 40 years of minority status in the lower house of Congress in 1994 but later resigned under an ethics cloud. He tried to stage a political comeback in this year's presidential contest.

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Accused of cover up

Irish Cardinal won't resign

The leader of Ireland's Catholics said Wednesday he won't resign after a BBC documentary accused him of helping to cover up 1970s child-abuse committed by a priest.

Cardinal Sean Brady said the documentary exaggerated his role.

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Alarming bird-flu article published

Study. Researchers outline danger of mutating H5N1 genes

A bird-flu study that was blocked from publication for months after biosecurity experts questioned if it was unsafe to put it in the public domain has finally been published.

The work, conducted by a team led by influenza vir-

ologist Yoshihiro Kawaoka of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Tokyo, suggests that as few as three changes to the main gene on the surface of some H5N1 flu viruses might allow the virus to transmit efficiently among mammals — perhaps even humans.

Kawaoka and his team managed to create a hybrid virus that would transmit through the air, passing from infected to healthy fer-

rets, which were used in the experiment as a stand-in for people. The newly transmissible virus needed four mutations in the surface gene, the hemagglutinin, which gives a flu virus the H portion of its name.

One of the mutations is already seen in viruses in the Middle East, Africa and parts of Asia and Europe, potentially leaving the need for only three more, if the virus were to take this route to gain the

capacity to pass from human to human.

“Our study shows that relatively few amino acid mutations are sufficient for a virus with an avian H5 hemagglutinin to acquire the ability to transmit in mammals,” Kawaoka said in a press release.

Science currently has no way to gauge how likely or unlikely it is that this would happen.

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A Balinese official looks at a chicken after administering an injection to cull it in Bali on April 26. FIRDIA LISNAWATI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gaza Strip

Foot-and-mouth disease spreads

A UN agency says Egypt's outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has reached neighbouring Gaza Strip and could soon spread across the Middle East.

The Rome-based Food and Agriculture Organization said Wednesday the disease was detected in Gaza's southern border town of Rafah on April 19.

Juan Lubroth, FAO's chief veterinary officer, says vaccines are in short supply and animal movement must be limited. He says the disease risks spreading to the Gulf, southern and eastern Europe and further.

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SpaceX

More space station delays

The first commercial cargo run to the International Space Station has been delayed again for more software testing.

Space Exploration Technologies Corp., better known as SpaceX, was aiming for a Monday liftoff of its Falcon rocket and Dragon capsule. But on Wednesday, the California-based company announced its latest postponement and said a new launch date had not been set.

The test flight already is three months late.

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Reader calls for real images

Julia Bluhm, 14, of Waterville, Maine, holds up a copy of Seventeen magazine as she leads a protest outside Hearst Corp. headquarters, Wednesday, May 2, in New York. Bluhm delivered a petition of about 25,000 names and met with officials from the magazine, urging them to publish one spread a month of model photos that have not been altered. She says images of young girls in the magazine present an impossible ideal for today's teens.

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Suu Kyi sworn in to assembly

Official voice. Myanmar starts a new era as the country's symbol of democracy takes office for the first time

Aung San Suu Kyi was sworn in as a lawmaker Wednesday, capping a tenacious, decades-long journey from political prisoner to parliamentarian that will enable Myanmar's main opposition party to take its struggle for democratic rule inside the country's army-backed government for the first time.

The swearing-in ceremony in the capital, Naypyitaw, cements a fragile detente between Suu Kyi's movement and the administration of President Thein Sein, which has engineered a series of sweeping reforms since tak-

ing power from a military junta last year.

But some analysts see her entry into the legislative branch as a gamble that will achieve little beyond legitimizing a regime that needs her support to end years of isolation from the West and get lingering sanctions lifted. Mobbed by reporters after Wednesday's ceremony, Suu Kyi said she would not give up the struggle she has led since 1988.

"We would like our parliament to be in line with genuine democratic values. It's not because we want to remove anybody," she said in apparent reference to the military, whose unelected appointees control 25 per cent of the assembly.

"We just want to make the kind of improvements that will make our national assembly a truly democratic one." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



No propellers, hot air or wings of wax for this Jetman

Yves Rossy, known as the Jetman, flies over Rio de Janeiro on Wednesday. The Swiss aviator dropped from a helicopter and deployed the jet-powered carbon-kevlar Jetwing, which he uses his body to steer, as he flew over the Brazilian capital before landing on Copacabana Beach.

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Conservation. Protection sought for woodpecker

A woodpecker that's survived for millions of years by eating beetle larvae in burned trees is in danger of going extinct in parts of the West, according to conservationists seeking U.S. protection for the bird.

Four conservation groups filed a petition with the U.S. Interior Department on Wednesday to list the black-backed woodpecker under the Endangered Species Act.

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Zoo. Harmonica-playing elephant enjoys own tunes

An elephant named Shanthi at the U.S. national zoo plays a harmonica with her trunk and appears to love doing it.

Video released Wednesday by the zoo in Washington shows the 36-year-old Asian

elephant with a harmonica attached to her stall playing tunes even when no humans are in view. Shanthi plays her own songs that always have big crescendos at the end.

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Mom denies taking 5-year-old to tanning bed



New Jersey. Salon owner said the child visited facility with her mother, but didn't go into tanning bed

A woman whose own skin is deeply bronze-coloured from regular visits to a tanning salon has been accused of taking her five-year-old daughter into a tanning booth in violation

of state law, burning the girl's skin.

Through her attorney, Patricia Krentcil, 44, of Nutley, entered a plea of not guilty Wednesday in Superior Court to a charge of child endangerment. New Jersey law bars anyone under 14 from using a tanning salon.

Prior to the hearing, Krentcil called the accusation a lie.

"It's all made up," she said.

She said her daughter, who was five at the time of the al-

leged incident in mid-April and has since turned six, got sunburned by being outside on an unseasonably warm day. She said her daughter, however, had mentioned to school officials when she complained of itching that she had been to a tanning salon with her mother.

Krentcil had told various TV stations her daughter was in the room at the salon but not in the stand-up tanning booth.

Police in Nutley told The

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Krentcil remained free on a \$2,500 cash bond. She is scheduled to make her next court appearance on June 4.

Nutley Sun newspaper they were called to the child's school April 24 because the kindergartner was in pain from a "pretty severe sunburn." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Britain. Intelligence agencies may have played role in spy's death: Coroner

Even after a coroner's verdict, it remains a mystery: A naked spy found dead in a locked bag, lurid details of a kinky sex life and allegations that someone in Britain's spy agencies may have been involved in his death.

A British coroner ruled Wednesday that another person was likely involved in Gareth Williams' death — a finding that puts more pressure on police to uncover the cyber-warfare expert's killer and continue to investigate possibilities that include whether he could have died in a sex game gone awry or in a more sinister scenario that involved his counterterrorism work.

In Britain, coroners are asked to investigate unexplained deaths, and their findings can often carry weight as police investigations proceed.

Although Coroner Fiona Wilcox said it was unlikely that the death of Williams, 31, will ever be "satisfactorily explained," she said the spy was likely killed either by suffocation or poisoning in a "criminally meditated act." She also said it was possible that someone from one of Britain's spy agencies was involved.

Williams, described as



British intelligence official
Gareth Williams

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an introverted math genius, worked for Britain's secret eavesdropping service GCHQ. But he was attached to the MI6 foreign spy agency when his remains were found in the bathtub at his London apartment on Aug. 16, 2010, just a few days after returning from a trip to the United States.

Forensic experts found some \$32,000 US worth of luxury women's clothing, shoes and wigs in his apartment. Police also discovered that he had visited bondage and sadomasochism websites, including some related to claustrophobia — a desire for confinement in enclosed spaces. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Crime

Elders put off by elder-abuse commercial, study says

A proposed tough-on-crime TV spot about elder abuse proved a little too creepy for seniors, new documents show.

Focus groups found the 30-second commercial, which featured an elderly woman inspecting a police lineup of suspected fraudsters, to be "off-putting/frightening."

Market-research firm

Ipsos Reid urged the Department of Human Resources to use another, less unsettling ad.

"In borrowing of the symbols of law and order, the ad led participants down the wrong path," the company wrote in its February report.

"The criminalization might actually deter seniors from reporting abuse out of fear of losing their loved ones or needed caregivers. Police presence might be a deterrent for seniors from different cultural backgrounds."

Ipsos Reid ran 11 focus groups in Vancouver, Montreal, Halifax and London, Ont., last November.

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Tightrope walk across Niagara Falls set for June



Nik Wallenda points to Niagara Falls after a news conference on Wednesday. Wallenda will try to cross the Niagara Gorge on a tightrope June 15.

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Daredevil. Nik Wallenda spent months dealing with Canadian, U.S. officials for permission

Daredevil Nik Wallenda will try to cross the Niagara Gorge — including part of the famous falls — on a tightrope June 15.

The seventh-generation member of the Flying Wallendas spent months getting the necessary permissions from Canada and the United States for the cross-border stunt.

Organizers told a news

conference in Niagara Falls, Ont., on Wednesday that the contracts have been signed and the date set.

Wallenda's stunt will merge two pop culture traditions — his own family's death-defying feats on the high wire and the daredevil acts at Niagara Falls that date back more than 100 years.

It took an act of the New York legislature and persistent lobbying of Canadian parks officials to make Wallenda's planned wire stunt a possibility.

The Niagara Parks Commission board gave its thumbs-up to Wallenda in February, reversing an earlier decision against the stunt.

Plan and profit

Tony Baldinelli, a spokesman for the Niagara Parks Commission, said that Wallenda will cross over a portion of the Canadian Horseshoe Falls as he walks from one side of the gorge to the other.

- **Economic impact.** A study has suggested that the television coverage of the event could help generate a \$120-million shot in the arm to the Niagara economy.

"Not only is it a dream but we had to change two

laws in two countries that were over 100 years old," Wallenda said.

"This is clearly a once-in-a-lifetime thing."

Niagara Parks chairwoman Janice Thomson had said the approval was a "unique one-time situation" and that Wallenda was able to prove he had proper controls and safety measures in place.

She also said the commission would only consider requests for such events from skilled professionals once every 20 years.

Wallenda's walk across the falls on a five-centimetre-diameter steel cable is expected to be televised live. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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E-readers

Target phasing out Amazon Kindle

Target Corp. is phasing out Amazon.com Inc.'s e-reader Kindle at its more than 1,700 stores and its website.

Target spokeswoman Molly Snyder said Wednesday that the decision to stop selling Kindles this spring came after an "ongoing

review" of Target's merchandise that evaluates quality and prices of the chain's offerings.

The move coincides with the discounter's plan to create mini shops of Apple Inc. products in 25 of its stores this year.

Despite competition from cheaper tablet computers such as Amazon's Kindle Fire, Apple's iPad remains the most popular tablet. Apple has sold more than

55 million iPads since the tablet's debut in 2010.

Target, which is based in Minneapolis, started selling Kindles two years ago. Target announced in late November that Amazon's Kindle was the bestselling tablet in its stores on the day after Thanksgiving, typically the busiest day of the year.

Target will also stop selling Kindle accessories like covers and chargers.

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Watchdog

Competition Bureau won't review MLSE takeover

Canada's competition watchdog will not challenge Bell Canada and Rogers Communications Inc. on their \$1.07-billion takeover of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment, despite some concerns about

concentration in the industry.

The Competition Bureau says that it has issued a "no action" letter to the telecom giants indicating that it doesn't plan to have the deal reviewed under the Competition Act.

However, it added that it has heard several serious concerns about the effect of increasing concentration and vertical integration on the broadcasting industry.

It says the Commissioner

of Competition is actively reviewing those concerns and won't hesitate to take action if she determines the Competition Act has been violated.

The legislation provides the bureau with a one-year period following the deal's closure to bring a challenge to the Competition Tribunal.

The media giants teamed for a majority stake in the country's biggest sports franchise company

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RIM. Keypads will remain in new line of BlackBerrys

Chief executive Thorsten Heins says RIM will continue to offer devices with its popular physical keypad.

Heins told media at the BlackBerry World conference in Orlando on Wednesday that, despite rumours to the contrary, its new line of BlackBerrys due for release later this year will include both touchscreens and keypads.

"We won't lose the focus on physical keypads. It would be wrong," Heins said.

The company weathered some criticism on Tuesday when Heins unveiled the new BlackBerry 10 operating system and focused on some flashy touch features, but didn't address any future plans for keypad devices. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Barrick Gold chairman offers insight

Barrick Gold chairman Peter Munk, right, chats with company president and CEO Aaron Regent during their annual general meeting in Toronto on Wednesday. Munk offered a bullish outlook for gold, but acknowledged that shares in the miner have lagged the company's performance. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Black's future in business uncertain

Prison release. Black, critics express doubt about the media baron's return to the media business

Hollinger Inc.

"The regulators, the minority shareholders, all that crap. Oh, I can't stand it"

Baron Conrad Black

When former media baron Conrad Black is released from prison this week, he returns to a media landscape far different from the one he walked away from a decade ago.

Whether he will want to jump back into the world he once dominated is unknown, but those who have followed his rise and fall from grace say Black could still wield influence, though likely not at a public company.

Black himself has indicated he's done with the type of scrutiny that comes with running a publicly traded company following the demise of Hollinger International Inc.

"The regulators, the minority shareholders, all that crap. Oh, I can't stand it," he told Vanity Fair in an interview before returning to jail last August to serve the remaining nine months of his prison term.

Karl Moore, a professor at McGill University's Desautels Faculty of Management, said Black is unlikely to be involved in a publicly traded company, but he could quietly act as a consultant or adviser.

"I think there might be some business people — you know former colleagues or former peers — that might be willing to do some business with him because he has a very sharp mind," Moore said.

"I suspect if he were going back in business it would be maybe in private equity or the advising business, where he would not be in the limelight in the same way, but they could harness his considerable business ability."

"If he needs to, if he wants to financially, I think there would be some limited opportunities," Moore added.

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Good Timing

When Hollinger sold the bulk of its Canadian newspapers in 2000, the industry had yet to see its business radically transformed by the Internet. Canwest Global, the broad-

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I've been enamoured lately with various best-selling books of factoids such as Schott's Miscellany, the Farmers Almanac and John's Bathroom Reader (no relation), and how, despite

their diversity of information, they all come back to one key factoid: I want a best-selling book, too.

So I've begun collecting information about Canada — both interesting and oddball — that I might present the Canadian All-manac, where one can learn everything from the name of Canada's first secretary general to Nellie McClung's best-selling album. For the small sample of text I provide below, a small donation is appreciated and mandatory.

What people from various Canadian places are called:

- Cornwall: Cornwallias
- Leduc: Leducs of Earl
- Kenora: Kenoraephrons
- Medicine Hat: Pillboxers
- Dawson Creek: Vanderbeeks
- Grand Prairie: Newfoundlanders
- Toronto: Empty inside

The most popular Canadian pickup lines:

"Condoms if necessary, but not necessarily condoms."
"General Wolfe would have pulled through if he'd seen you."
"It's been 172 years. Time for another Act of Union?"
"Hey, baby, you want to see my Head of State?"

Reasons Canadian prescription drugs are restricted in the U.S.:

- Canadian drugs include the evil gateway drug medicinal marijuana.
- There is no way to tell what's actually in the bottle because the labels are written in Canadian.
- Buying cheaper drugs from another country is just another sad example of "trying to be popular around the world because that would make sense and help our citizens."
- Canadian drugs could promote a polite, moderate lifestyle.

Most popular Canadian pastimes (non-hockey):

- Hockey.
- Nationality-hyphenating.
- Making love to a canoe.
- Mumbling O Canada.
- Historical re-enactments of the drafting of the Constitution Act of 1867. (I call George-Etienne Cartier!)
- Hating Canadian provinces you've never been to.
- Heritage moment drinking game! Drink if you hear, "I need these baskets back!" "Ahhh, Mr. Clarence, why doon't you just rread it, then?" and "Hey, buddy, he means the friggin' village."

Ways Canadian soldiers differ from American soldiers:

- Canadian snipers say "sorry" after every shot.
- Humanitarian packages consist of three beer, some maple syrup, and Rock 'Em Sock 'Em 18.
- Afghan poppy fields are razed but replaced with medicinal marijuana.
- Uniforms by Roots.

Failed Canadian tourism slogans:

Manitoba: I'd walk a mile for a neighbour!
Ontario: Ride the downward spiral!
New Brunswick: For the love of God, stop!
Newfoundlanders: Your favourite walks-into-a-bar jokes come to life!
Nunavut: Friends, frostbite and fun!
Saskatchewan: Flat is phat!

Popular Canadian adult films:

- Winnipeggers
- Oh, Canada!
- Debbie Does Drapeau
- They Call Him Avro Arrow
- Henderson Scores #8
- Goose!
- Ig-naughty-iff
- The Devil and Mrs. Lyon Mackenzie King
- Backdoor Legislation: A National Film Board joint
- DiefThroat

All eyes on the lens



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Staring contest?

Owls spy with their little eyes

MODENA, ITALY. Amateur photographer and computer professional Maurizio Malagoli captured these little owls looking identically wide-eyed at the camera, after they were startled by an earlier picture being taken. Malagoli was left with this photograph, which shows the birds' yellow eyes in a perfect diagonal line.

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Maurizio Malagoli

Where did you capture this stunning image?

In Modena there is a sanctuary that tends to wounded animals

before they are released back into the wild. At night, owls are attracted by the headlights of cars and are often injured on the roads. I arrived there the day some owls were being released. I positioned myself among the trees, wore green camouflage and waited a couple of hours before the owls were close enough to photograph. Looking into the lens I saw nothing but yellow eyes looking at me with a curious expression. **METRO**

Trivia

Sacred in Greek culture

- Scientifically known as *athene noctua*, little owls are associated with Athena, Greek goddess of wisdom, who is often featured with them in ancient art. The Greek one-euro coin shows the same little owl design as the silver tetradrachm coin from 2,500 years ago.



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@bdelurey:

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@ryzshr:

As I was walking to work this AM, a man came up to me and told me to have a beautiful day

:-) #thanks #YEG

@vegasbroad:

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Scene in brief

YouTube
launches
channels

YouTube is adding to its original programming by launching channels specializing in female dramas and United States Olympic athletes. The Google Inc.-owned video site announced the new channels Wednesday ahead of an upfront presentation to advertisers. YouTube has sunk more than \$100 million into an ambitious project to lure audiences for longer viewings and attract advertisers with higher quality videos. Filmmakers Jon Avnet and Rodrigo Garcia will launch the channel WIGS, focusing on scripted dramas for women. Also new is a TeamUSA channel from the U.S. Olympic Committee that will feature content ahead of the 2012 games.

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On the web



U.K. police arrest two over theft of valuable Chinese artifacts from Cambridge Museum



Along with plenty of wine, there will also be Jazz performances at A Taste of Argentina. FLICKR.COM.

What's to wine about?

Drinks. Argentinean flavours find Edmonton



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It's that time of year again — get ready to celebrate the finer points of South America with A Taste of Argentina on Friday at the Sutton Place Hotel (10235-101 St.).

"Guests will taste their way through Argentina, including samplings of over 150 wines from wineries such as Luigi

Bosca, Enrique Foster, Luca and Zuccardi," says event organizer Nathalie Tait.

"The wine tasting component of the evening is led by David Gummer of Vines Riverbend Wine Merchants. They do a fantastic job securing the vendors and even provide on-site ordering that night, with a portion of the sales going to the Edmonton Jazz Festival Society."

Jazz seems to be the perfect pairing for the Argentinean vineyards. It's a combination that's served the event well over the last five years and has contributed to it being one of Edmonton's most

Details

- The Peter Belec Trio is also performing at this year's event.
- Tickets available from tixonthesquare.ca
- Full list of auction items are on edmontonjazz.com.

highly anticipated and well-attended wine affairs. But they haven't let their success (or the wine for that matter) go to their head.

At \$65 per ticket or a table

of 10 tickets for \$550, it's still one of Edmonton's most affordable high-end events.

"Our biggest goal is to get tickets sold," says Tait, who, along with the event's committee, started planning the event in November. The group hopes to sell over 300 tickets to this year's event.

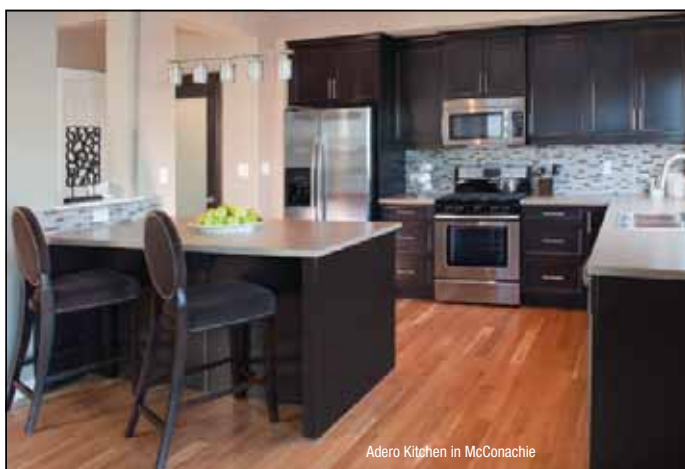
"A lot of effort goes into presenting an event like this. It is such a wonderful experience and we just want people to be a part of it and enjoy it for themselves."

The festivities kick off at 7 p.m. Members of the Edmonton Jazz Orchestra will be performing throughout the even-

ing, under the direction of Juno nominee Kent Sangster.

The organization hopes to meet their fundraising goals from ticket sales and a lucrative live and silent auction. Guests can bid on a variety of tempting items including hotel accommodations, concert tickets, family adventure packages, and restaurant packages.

The live auction also gives attendees the opportunity to purchase premier items in support of the society. For more information or to snap up some tickets, head to tixonthesquare.ca or call 780.420.1757.



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Ruffalo talks about the monster inside

The Avengers. Playing The Hulk is actor's latest challenge — besides fighting fame

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I meet Mark Ruffalo at a mid-town Toronto hotel to chat about The Avengers not realizing it represented a coming home of sorts for the actor. As we talked about playing the dual role of David Banner and his rage-a-holic alter ego The Hulk I mention one of his first television acting gigs, a guest spot on Due South shot in Hogtown.

"I stayed at this hotel before it was revamped," he says. "It was pretty low-end back then."

Judging by the fancy-shmancy Lobster Grilled Cheese on the room service menu the hotel is in better shape these days, and so is Ruffalo's career. The Oscar nominated actor is about to enjoy his biggest box office stint ever, despite having recently moved his family away from what he calls "the machinery" of Hollywood.

"Sometimes roles reflect where you are in your life," he says. "This came along and I tried to come up with every reason why I shouldn't do it, but I was still interested in it."

He saw a parallel between himself and the character.



Mark Ruffalo takes on the role of The Hulk in The Avengers, opening Friday. HANDOUT

"I ran away like Banner. I have this beast that's inside me that is celebrity and fame."

And this thing I have been on the run from has a tremendous amount of power, which if it is used right could actually have a positive effect in the world. And reach an audience."

That means making more of the kind of movies Ruffalo specializes in — indie dramas with real characters and situations. In the meantime, however, he has a blockbuster to promote,

which involves the drudgery of answering the same questions over and over again.

"The big one," he says, "which I think has been asked the most is 'Which superhero power would you have?' Basically you have a choice between flying and being invisible. Then Scarlett added teleporting, which I thought was a cool one. Now mine is to be able to turn into anything I wanted at any given moment. I could be a river. I

could be a cheeseburger with a beautiful girl eating me."

He doesn't care much for having to answer those kinds of questions, but would jump at the chance to revisit the Hulk.

"Let's do Planet Hulk! He won't let Banner have his body back! There's this huge existential fight going on. It's not The Hulk versus the World, it's the Hulk versus Banner and Banner versus the Hulk inside himself."

SNL. Creator mum on possible cast changes

Canadian Saturday Night Live creator Lorne Michaels showed a sense of humour as he dodged a question about impending cast changes on Wednesday.

Rumour has it that stars Kristen Wiig, Jason Sudeikis and Andy Samberg could all leave the long-running sketch series when the current season ends on May 19, but Michaels said he didn't know yet what would happen.

"I could (comment) except I'm not really certain myself," the 67-year-old Toronto native said in a conference call Wednesday.

"I know there will be some (changes), but it's just sort of the nature of the way we work that no one really talks about it until the season's done. Needless to say, I'd like everybody to stay."

He waited a beat, before quipping: "Did that avoid that question successfully?"

Joined on the call by this Saturday's host, two-time Super Bowl MVP quarterback Eli Manning, Michaels did nevertheless acknowledge that he would spend the summer scouring dark comedy

clubs for possible additions to the venerable show's cast.

"I think the show has always been about bringing new people in," Michaels said.

For now, the only newbie is Manning. The 31-year-old says he and his brother, newly signed Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning, grew up watching SNL.

"I am a fan and ... that style of humour, I appreciate it," said Manning, who was then pressed on his all-time favourite skit. "Chris Farley and Patrick Swayze doing the dancing, the Chippendales — that's always a classic," he replied.

Mainly, the message delivered was that Manning should trust the writers and try to have fun.

"I think the good thing about Saturday Night Live is you can kind of come in and maybe express a different side that people don't see," Manning said. "I think that's one thing I'd say about Peyton and I, we don't mind making fun of (ourselves) or letting jokes be at our own expense."

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Kristen Wiig may be ending her stint on SNL. GETTY IMAGES

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Norah Jones didn't set out to make a concept album but that's what she turned out. HANDOUT

Norah Jones nails concept album on Little Broken Hearts

New album. Singer partners with Danger Mouse and turns out a new level of music genius from a still young career

Norah Jones has a piano in her kitchen. You need look no further than this wonderfully off-kilter fact for a metaphor to describe the 33-year-old singer's evolution as she releases arguably the most interesting album of her career, *Little Broken Hearts*.

"It's nice because I have a music room, but you know it's like the office you never go in or the dining room you never go in or something," Jones said. "So I ended up putting this funky old piano in my kitchen and it's great."

Jones didn't set out to put a piano in her kitchen, of course. Much like her

Quote

"I just like how it's turned into sort of a bit of a concept album without any intentions of that's what we were going to. I'm proud that it ended up being what it is, going in knowing so little about what would happen. I love it."

Norah Jones
On making music

collaboration with producer Danger Mouse on *Little Broken Hearts*, it just kind of happened naturally.

"I just like how it's turned into sort of a bit of a concept album without any intentions of that's what we were going to do," Jones said. "I'm proud that it ended up being what it is, going in knowing so little

about what would happen. I love it."

Little Broken Hearts little resembles Jones' previous four solo albums, from the vampy cover photo to its lyrical content and vaguely psychedelic sound. It's edgy, effects-laden and deeply personal. She's written a few songs she felt were this personal before, especially on her 2009 album *The Fall*. But much of *Little Broken Hearts* centres on her life and the emotions you run through during relationship problems — from betrayal and indecision to healing and moving on.

The 12 songs on *Hearts* represent a true collaboration between Jones and Brian Burton, who produces under the name Danger Mouse. They mainly focus on a difficult breakup Jones went through, but she says Burton's fingerprints are all over the place and his ideas and lyrics transformed songs in unexpected ways.

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Kathleen Turner. GETTY IMAGES

‘I’m Catholic, I don’t need to think’

A Perfect Family. Film tackles rigid religious beliefs that can apply to many faiths

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While *A Perfect Family* takes a devout Catholic woman to task for not being more tolerant of her family — a recovering alcoholic husband, a son who’s left the wife he married too young and a lesbian daughter ready to start a family — star Kathleen Turner doesn’t think the film is critical of the church and its members. This, even though her character spouts the line, “I’m Catholic, I don’t need to think,” in the heat of the moment.

“I thought we were pretty nice,” Turner insists.

In fact, despite her character’s fierce Catholic identity, she sees the story as transcending any particular faith.

“It doesn’t have to be Catholicism, it can be any organized and rigid religion,” she says. “It could be Judaism, it could be Islam. Any religion that says, ‘This is the only way God approves of you,’ is fine as a structure for this

Acting sultry

- Kathleen Turner and Lauren Bacall share something in common: a distinct, sultry voice that’s become something of a calling card for each actress. And while Turner says the two “have joked about” teaming up on screen as mother and daughter, they’ve been able to keep themselves amused with a game they came up with.

- “We would run into each other at theatres or at restaurants before or after, and we had this game where I’d always say, ‘Miss Bacall, how lovely to see you,’ and she’d say (in a lower voice), ‘How are you, Miss Turner?’” Turner explains. “And I’d say (in an even lower voice), ‘Very well, thank you.’ How low can you go was our game. It was fun.”

conflict. Catholicism simply is the most familiar for this, the most workable ear. I wanted to figure out how she survived.”

Beyond the religious aspects, Turner says the main draw for signing on to *A Per-*

fect Family was how much she couldn’t relate to the character at all.

“She can accept this incredibly rigid formula for living, the rules — this is right and this is wrong — and expect to live in the real world. This seems to me an impossible task,” Turner says. “And then to have so much of her private world, her family — all three members of her family — be so far outside what she believes in, how does this woman survive? Well, I think, again, every character has to change, has to go through a stage of growth to be interesting, period. If she doesn’t change, then I’m not interested in doing her.”

As for Turner herself, her own belief system isn’t directed by a religious institution.

“I believe that I would die for my daughter, that that would be the most important thing on earth to me, more important than my own life. Absolutely,” she says. “I believe that to never knowingly cause harm to someone or to profit from someone else’s harm is the golden rule, and if I follow that, then that will be the best way I can live. If I can be true to that, then I think I will be a good person. That’s about as doctrinaire as I get.”

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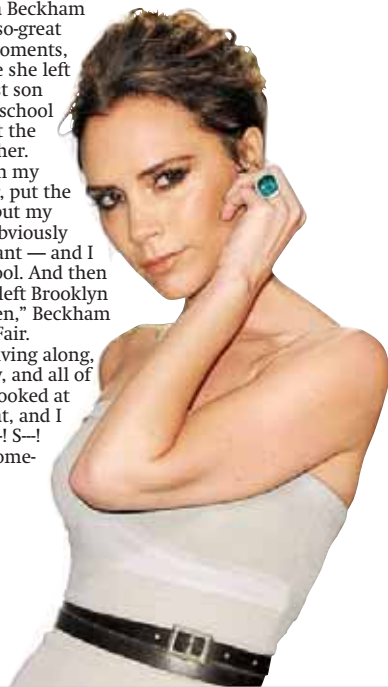
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Step your parenting game up Posh

Even famous mother of four Victoria Beckham has her not-so-great parenting moments, like the time she left to take eldest son Brooklyn to school — but forgot the kid all together.

"I jump in my Range Rover, put the car seat in, put my iPod on — obviously very important — and I drive to school. And then I realize, I'd left Brooklyn in the kitchen," Beckham tells Vanity Fair.

"I was driving along, talking away, and all of a sudden, I looked at the front seat, and I was like, 'S—! S—! I've forgot something!'"



Cowell: As humble as ever

Simon Cowell may not have wanted to keep Cheryl Cole on the U.S. edition of The X Factor, but he's more than happy to take credit for the success she's had in the U.K.

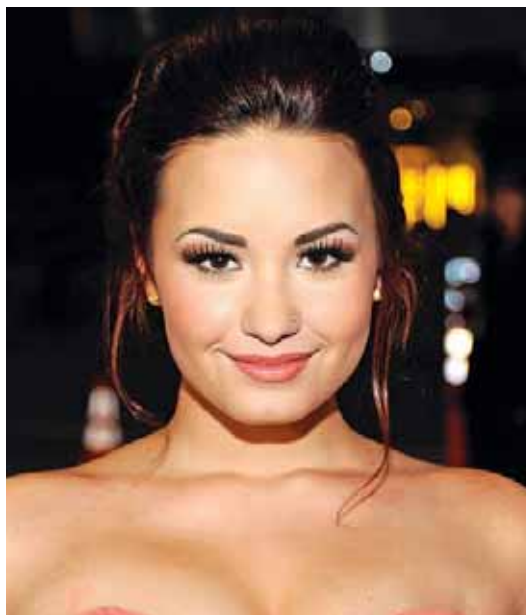
"Even though we went through that pretty horrible period, I could look Cheryl in the eye and say what I did for her in those two years propelled her into a different league," Cowell

tells GQ magazine, admitting that while the debacle with the U.S. show may have created some distance between them, he'd still be open to working together again.

"She was hurt. It all ended pretty badly, to be honest," he says. "I always said to her the door is permanently open. It's entirely up to her what she wants to do."

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The Word

Demi and Miley vie for last X Factor seat



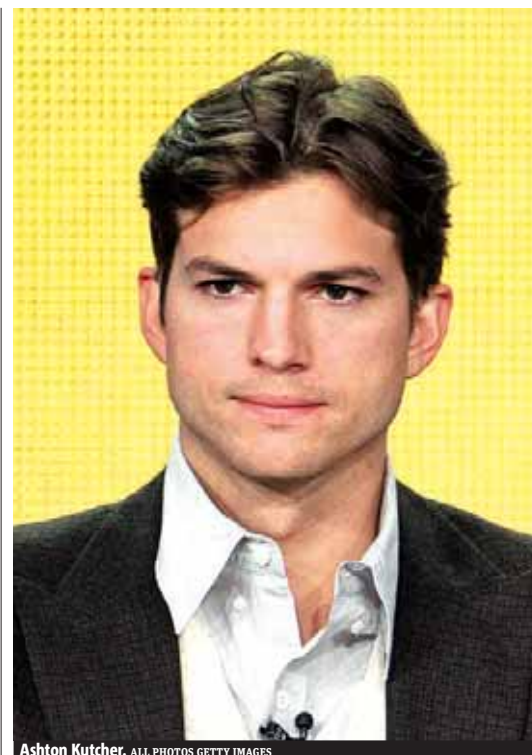
THE WORD
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With Britney Spears reportedly set to fill one of the empty judges' panel seats on The X Factor, it's a starlet faceoff for the final slot since former judges Paula Abdul and Nicole Scherzinger were kicked off the show after its first season.

And according to conflicting reports, it looks like it's down to two former Disney stars.

Celebuzz.com reports that executive Simon Cowell has been considering Miley Cyrus for the spot, while The Hollywood Reporter insists that Demi Lovato is close to a deal — and even in the "final negotiations" stage of securing the job. I know this sounds, well, crazy, but if these ladies are to decide who has authentic talent on a national television show, why not find someone who actually writes their own music and isn't auto-tuned within an inch of their life?

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Ashton Kutcher. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Kutcher brings in the big bucks

With a new deal reportedly in place, Ashton Kutcher will be returning for another season of Two and a Half Men, according to Deadline.

For next year's run — the popular sitcom's 10th season — Kutcher will reportedly bring in \$700,000

per episode, with co-star John Cramer making slightly less than Kutcher and young Angus T. Jones earning \$300,000 per episode. Each actor signed a one-year contract, sparking speculation that the 10th season could be the show's last.

Witherspoon flaunts her bump

While she hasn't yet made an official announcement about her pregnancy, Reese Witherspoon is doing little to hide the obvious.

The Oscar-winning actress was spotted out and about in her L.A. neighborhood this week in a thin, clingy purple dress, according to Radar Online. And this past weekend, Witherspoon and husband Jim Toth turned heads at the White House Correspondents' Dinner in Washington, D.C., with her in a tight top that accentuated her growing bump.

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He's starting with the man in the mirror

Ladies, take a breather. The boys are learning how to shop

Don't be fooled by the old "my girlfriend bought me this" line.

Fashion insiders say men are taking a keen interest in how they dress — and that means developing their own shopping habits. The biggest difference in how they shop for clothes? Probably research — and purpose.

A Saturday at the shopping mall is not a highlight on most men's calendars, says Tyler Thoreson, head of Gilt Groupe's menswear editorial and creative divisions. Even when they're shopping online, they're not surfing many websites or coming back to them day after day, he says, but when they find something they like, they are passionate and potentially more loyal than women.

Call shopping "entertainment" and they're not buying it, but describing it as a "hobby" is something else, he says.

Men can "geek out" when it comes to the construction and even minutia of a gar-



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ment. "I'm not just talking about a 'fashion guy.' For many men, your wardrobe is part of your program of discernment. They'll learn about it like a car or a wine or a watch," Thoreson says. "Guys can be busting each other's chops in one breath and

talking about soft construction on the shoulder of a suit in the next. They love construction, specs. It's about what's under the hood."

You now see men dressing for the life they want to lead and image they want to project, agrees Eric Jennings, vice-president and fashion director of menswear for Saks Fifth Avenue. Shopping and, even worse, trying things on are necessary evils to get there.

They go to stores on a mission and like to get it accomplished, he says.

They'll come in knowing exactly what they want and will buy in multiples. But, he adds, the modern customer is buying a broader range of products and sees a value in being knowledgeable about them.

Paul Grangaard, CEO of shoe brand Allen Edmonds, says when it comes to fashion, men are hunters and women are gatherers. Different methods, different mentalities, but both can end up with full closets, he says.

"Shopping is not a man's favourite when it's about waiting for women. It's not a leisure activity. Shopping for their own clothing isn't their favourite place, either, but there is a renaissance — it's small but steady — as men are interested in an upgrade," Jennings says. "Coming out of the recession, they know they have to take appearance more seriously. It can be that thing for a new job or a promotion."

And, he adds, if they're dressing well during the

Speaking of swagger

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Tyler Thoreson. Gilt Groupe

week, it's likely to become a habit on weekends.

"Men travel in herds, and when it's OK in your friendship group to care about how you look on the weekends,

it spreads pretty quickly," observes Grangaard. "Since the recession of 2008, you're

always net-

working. Men dress

better for midweek

coffees and

lunches and on

weekends because

you never know

who you'll run

into where. You

always want to look

secure, stable and

reliable."

It's hard to do that in beat-

up jeans and running shoes.

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What's trending?

Tyler Thoreson says he looks around midtown Manhattan and quite literally sees a change.

- You see men — creative types and hipsters, not just bankers, he stresses — voluntarily wearing ties
- On Gilt's upscale Park & Bond

website, for example, neckwear sales increased 33 per cent in 2011 over the previous year. "They're wearing ties because they want to, not because they have to."

- Other booming items are pocket squares, Converse sneakers, tie clips and rope bracelets.

Paul Smith: 'I'm like a cocktail'

Studio visit. The fashion designer has 14 lines, an in-house team of 180 people and a ton of collectibles

KENYA HUNT

Metro World News in London

"I said something really stupid the other day," Sir Paul Smith says as we sit in his London office. "When asked about it, I told someone that I'm not really a collector. But I have large quantities of the same thing. Then I realized, that is actually a collector," he says laughing,

making the understatement of the year.

He's standing over an intimidating pile of autographed cycling jerseys given to him by famous racing champions (Smith is a long-time fan of the sport). That pile sits next to leaning towers of art and fashion books, numbering in the hundreds, which are in turn

surrounded by walls of bookshelves filled with everything from biographies and novels to toys, cameras, soccer balls and works of photography. Limited edition bicycles and rare works of art round it all out.

"I think you can tell from this office that my head is full of curiosity," he says. "I'm happy to have something that costs

50 pence or something from a famous person. In the same way, all of my collections are different and fun. Paul Smith is like a cocktail of many ingredients that are very intriguing to people," he says, once again playing things down a bit.

His brand is more like a jumbo smoothie — his building houses a total of 180 employees who design 26 collections a year across his 14 lines. Those numbers would make the average person's eyes glaze over.

During our time together, Smith greets every person he comes across by name, with a personal anecdote to boot. But Smith seems to operate best as a multitasker. "It's great for business because there's something for everybody."



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No Mother's Day for model

Please, no flowers for Christy Turlington Burns this Mother's Day. No chocolates and no last-minute, convenience-store cards, either.

A handmade craft from her children would be OK, but mostly what she wants is to have a conversation about the important role that mothers — and grandmothers and great-grandmothers, too — play in families and in larger communities all over the world.

"I never was more appreciative of my own mom and all the other moms out there than when I became one myself," said Turlington Burns, a model, businesswoman and documentary filmmaker, whose children are now six and eight years old. Her No Mother's Day Mother's Day is a way to draw attention to maternal mortality, the cause at the heart of the Every Mother Counts advocacy campaign she founded in 2010. It's also a way to get back to the basics and, hopefully, cut through "all the noise" that now comes with a holiday that the National Retail Federation estimates will come with an \$18.6 billion price tag in spending by Americans this year.

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On the Web



Exotic skins — real and faux — fuel interesting, luxurious style without going over the top.



"I have so much going on all the time it can be hard to follow, but it's also fantastic," says Smith.

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Making waves

Beach fashion. Colours, prints, ruffles and lace highlight the trends for women's swimwear

STEPHANIE ORFORD
For Metro

If you thought women's fashion was exuberant this season — colours and prints! ruffles and lace! — then you should see this summer's swimwear.

Tracey Tomlinson, the Ontario sales rep for Roxy swimwear, outlined some of the top trends of the season for women.

Crochet

The fabric is a sexy twist on this season's obsession with retro, lady-like looks — and it's been selling

like hotcakes, according to Tomlinson.

"Crochet has been phenomenal," she says, adding it can be worn many ways, from crochet details on the trim of a bikini to crochet all over. Yellow and black have been doing well, but white is the most-wanted colour by a long shot.

Mix and match

This makes it easier to find the right sizes separately for top and bottom, and mix colours and patterns, like neon with neutral or polka dots with stripes.

Body shapes

"A focus on new bodies" is on-trend right now, says Tomlinson. On the sexy side, Roxy has created a bustier bikini top for this season — a nod to lingerie. But at the same time it brought back the T-back bikini. It may look

cute with gathered ruching and bead details, but it's ready for active pastimes like stand-up paddle boarding wherever, whenever, says Tomlinson. Bandeau bikini tops also remain a strong trend. "I think girls just don't want the tan line," says Tomlinson.

Soft

When women shop, they tend to feel the fabric before they will commit to buying a garment, says Tomlinson.

"Girls tend to shop with their hands," she says.

Cute details

"That whole Coachella look," with handcrafted-looking details, is in style this season, says Tomlinson. Look for inserts made with crochet or lace, as well as fringe on the back of pants and on the bust, and extra-long ties with tassels.



Summer sizzlers

Three trends not to be missed:

- The '50s pin-up girl
- Animal prints. Right, mixed zebra and flower print bandeau bikini top, \$34.95, and side-tie bikini bottom, \$29.95, available at La Vie En Rose (lavieenrose.com).
- Splash of colour — go orange!

Smocking

This puckered, gathered elastic fabric is winding up on busts, on hips, or all over garments because it fits snugly, but still allows lots of movement.

The one-piece

One-piece bathing suits are back with a vengeance, especially for juniors, says Tomlinson. These allow the wearer to cover up a little more than a bikini does, while still drawing attention where you want it.

"It's not like your mom's Speedo," Tomlinson confirms.



NATIVE SKY BANDEAU BIKINI TOP, \$48, FAR LEFT, AVAILABLE AT ROXY (ROXY.COM), TOP LEFT, OMBRÉ FLOWER PRINT PUSH-UP BIKINI TOP, \$34.95, AND BIKINI SKIRT, \$39.95, AVAILABLE AT LA VIE EN ROSE (LAVIEENROSE.COM), TOP, SAFFRON TANKINI TOP, \$39.95, AND SIDE-TIE BIKINI BOTTOM, \$29.95, AVAILABLE AT LA VIE EN ROSE AFTER JUNE 4 (LAVIEENROSE.COM), LEFT, LA BLANCA — SHINE ON, \$142, AVAILABLE AT THE BAY (THEBAY.COM).

Tips on buying a swimsuit

- Try to go shopping on a day when you are feeling confident and in good spirits. And invite an honest friend.
- Always size up on the bathing suits a size or two; they tend to be cut on the smaller side.
- Look for swimsuits that flatter your best assets, i.e. for smaller busts, ruffles around the chest and halternecks help create the illusion of a larger bust. For a mature body, you want to wear a full piece with a high back or rouging. The rouging helps slim the body. The high back gives you more structure and supportive bust.
- Remember, applying a tinted moisturizer can help give your skin a healthy glow.

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A woman with dark hair and sunglasses on her head is standing in shallow ocean water. She is wearing a yellow and black patterned bikini top and a black scuba diving vest. She is holding a scuba regulator in her right hand. The background is a clear blue sky and greenish ocean water.

Bikini top
\$5.95

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Hanging 10 this summer

Trend. The classic surfer look, now updated, continues to be popular for men's swimwear

STEPHANIE ORFORD
For Metro

Since the Quiksilver's inception in 1969, it has been designed for surfers. But what that means now is a lot different from what it meant more than 40 years ago. A large part of the company's success has been in its ability to stay on top of trends, according to Greg Goulter, Ontario sales rep for the brand.

Goulter laid out the top swimwear looks Quiksilver is making for men this summer.

Shorter shorts

Don't worry. They aren't Borat-short.

Goulter has noticed a trend toward lengths as short as a 16-inch outseam.

Considering board shorts 10 years ago were big and baggy with an outseam as long as 23 inches, this is still quite a leap. There are plenty of longer alternatives, however.

Tailored

"There's a really weird kind of juxtaposition going on," says Goulter, pointing out the coexistence of two types of surfer — the scruffy beach bum and the tidy hipster. The former wears long, loose-fitting shorts, while the latter wears shorter, slimmer trunks.

Their shorts are designed to fit the body, but aren't tight. They're "like a nice suit," Goulter explains.

Double duty

One of the biggest trends is the

combination board-short, walk-short, said Goulter.

"In Ontario cottage country you can jump in the lake and go wakeboarding ... and 10 minutes later you're dry, can put a belt on and go out for dinner," he says.

Out-there colours and patterns

This year it's all about major colour and bold patterns, says Goulter. He is seeing a lot of '80s neon, as well as prints from Hawaiian to geometric, but the classics, like camouflage

and plaid, remain strong.

"Plaid is the best selling board short for every company out there," said Goulter.

High-tech fabrics

Quiksilver's bestselling fabric is called diamond dobby. Its small, raised pattern holds the fabric off the body when wet, so the shorts dry faster.

Stretch is also a requirement in most men's clothing these days, and board shorts are no exception.

"People have gotten hooked on a little bit of stretch in their fabrics," he says, explaining that a bit of stretch helps you move freely — a requirement when you are surfing.

Always unlined

A liner will stay wet, so board shorts are much more high performance when they are worn with nothing underneath.

"If you talk to any surfer about it they'd say, 'Oh my god, you can't have a liner! That's just wrong,'" Goulter jokes.

MARK IT 19" BOARDSHORTS, \$65, TOP LEFT, CYPHER REYNOLDS REVOLT BOARDSHORTS, \$69.50, TOP CENTRE, WASHBOARD 20" AMPHIBIANS, \$65, TOP RIGHT, AND CYPHER ANDO FLINT 19" BOARDSHORTS, \$69.50, LEFT, ALL AVAILABLE AT QUIKSILVER (QUIKSILVER.COM).



Accessories. What you need at the beach

Accessories aren't just a nice to have at the beach. They are a requirement.

Here are some of the top beach accessory trends for men and women:

Floral towel

Colours and prints are the order of the day, and the beach is the perfect venue to rock a bright, patterned towel with your new neon swimsuit.

"Tropical flowers make you dream of Hawaii or a Caribbean island getaway even if you're lounging on your pool patio," says John

Izzo, VP of design and product development at lingerie and swimwear retailer La Vie en Rose.

Canvas bag

At Roxy, it's all about mini and cross-body bags with beading, braiding, tassels, knotted details and charms. "That music festival look," says Tracey Tomlinson, the Ontario sales rep for Roxy swimwear.

For men and women, the canvas shoulder bag has made a big comeback over leather, as have mixed can-

vas and leather versions.

Straw hat

Like the topless straw bow hat from La Vie En Rose, for women, or the Pierside 2 Hat from Quiksilver, for men, a straw hat is a beach mainstay that protects and looks sophisticated at the same time.

This summer, Roxy will be offering a wide-brimmed straw hat that transforms the wearer into a "hybrid between a cowboy and a Cuban," says Tomlinson. **STEPHANIE ORFORD**



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Leave the meat option in the freezer and go veggie instead

Did you know that a head of cauliflower can be sliced into two thick “steaks” that hold up well on the grill? They can be seasoned as you see fit, and topped with whatever you like. In this recipe, the seasonings are simple, then topped with lightly poached eggs and truffle oil, creating a delicious sauce.

1. Heat a grill to medium. Bring a large saucepan of water to a low simmer.

2. Use a paring knife to trim away the leaves and any stem at the base of the cauliflower, but do not cut out the core. Stand the head of cauliflower upright on its base. Use a large bread or other serrated knife to trim away 1/2 inch on either side of the head. Reserve these pieces for another use.

3. Leaving the head standing upright, use the knife to slice the cauliflower in half down the centre to create 2 even halves. Sprinkle both

Grilled Cauliflower Steaks with Poached Eggs and Truffle Oil



This recipe serves two. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

sides of each half with olive oil, then with salt, pepper, a bit of the garlic powder and a little lemon juice.

4. Carefully set the “steaks” on the grill, cover and cook

for 8 minutes.

5. Use spatula to carefully flip cauliflower and grill for 8 minutes, or until both sides are lightly browned and tender. Transfer to serv-

ing plates, then cover with foil to keep warm.

6. Once the cauliflower is done, add the vinegar to the simmering water.

Ingredients

- 1 large head cauliflower
- Olive oil
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- Juice of 1/2 lemon
- 1 tablespoon white or cider vinegar
- 2 eggs
- Truffle oil (or truffle-flavoured olive oil)

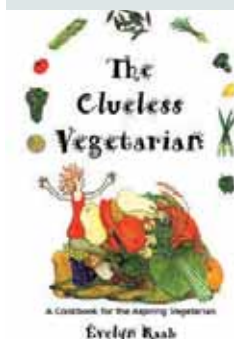
7. Crack 1 egg into a small glass, then gently and slowly pour it into the simmering water by bringing the lip of the glass right down to the surface of the water so the egg slides in. Cook for 4 minutes, then use a slotted spoon to lift out the egg (letting excess water drip away), setting it one of the cauliflower steaks. Repeat with the remaining egg.

8. Season the eggs with salt and pepper, then drizzle with truffle oil. Serve immediately.

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Cookbook of the Week

The Clueless Vegetarian



The Clueless Vegetarian by Evelyn Raab is designed for those who love good food, cooked from scratch, but also have to have a life.

If you've just switched to a vegetarian diet, the book's straightforward nutritional info will help you in making good food choices. If you've been practicing for a while, you'll discover new recipes and methods.

Among the eats included are: Creamy Carrot Soup, Roasted Tomato Fettucine, Potato Latkas, Spanakopita and more.

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Gazpacho Salad. Refreshing

1. In a small bowl, combine garlic, oil, vinegar, salt, pepper and rosemary.

2. Cut tomatoes in half crosswise and gently squeeze out seeds; cut into 2-cm (3/4-inch) pieces. Place in a large bowl; add cucumber, yellow pepper,

green onions and croutons.

3. Pour dressing over top; toss well but gently. Let stand for 5 minutes to soften croutons.
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Ingredients

- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) olive oil
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) sherry
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- Pinch each black pepper and crumbled dried rosemary
- 3 medium tomatoes
- Half cucumber, chopped
- 1 sweet yellow pepper, chopped
- 3 green onions, sliced
- 500 ml (2 cups) rustic croutons

Walnuts, eggplant & gooey cheese offer great contrast

This unusual eggplant appetizer will wow guests at your dinner table.

The walnut crumbs are a contrast to the soft, moist eggplant and gooey cheese rounds. Simple to prepare, it's hard to stop at just one serving.

1. Heat oven to 200 C (400 F).

2. In a medium bowl, combine bread crumbs, Parmesan

and walnuts and season with salt and pepper.

3. Place eggs in another bowl and season with salt and pepper. Repeat for flour.

4. Slice eggplant crosswise into 8 to 10 1-cm (1/2-inch) thick rounds. Dip each slice into flour, followed by egg and last into walnut mixture. Press firmly to achieve an even breading.

5. Lay eggplant slices onto a parchment-lined baking sheet and bake on the centre oven rack for 15 minutes.

6. Sauce: In a medium saucepan, place passata, tomatoes, basil leaves, garlic and olive oil and gently simmer over low heat.

7. Spoon desired amount of sauce over each eggplant slice and top with fresh mozzarella.

8. Return eggplant to oven for 5 to 7 minutes until mozzarella has melted.

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Decor dilemma: creative fixes for your flat-screen TV space

Decorative interest.

If you're not mounting your TV on the wall, here's what to do with that empty space



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Q: We love our apartment's Art Deco decor but the wall space around the television looks too bland. I don't want to hang the television, so what can I do to add some decorative interest?

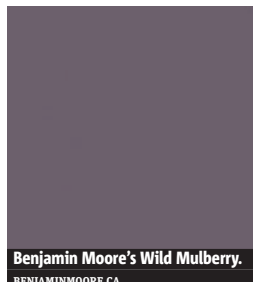
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A: This is a common problem when people choose to sit their flat-screen TV on a credenza rather than mounting it on the wall — they are left with a lot of space above the television and don't know how to treat it.

As this is the focal wall in your living area, I suggest treating the walls with something that will add drama and style to the overall room without drawing too much attention to the space above the TV.

Paint the corner pillar a deep colour to allow it to be an architectural element in the room. I suggest Benjamin Moore's Wild Mulberry, a darker, more neutral version of the accent colour that you have in your pillows and rug.

You might want to carry this colour onto another focal wall



Benjamin Moore's Wild Mulberry.
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area like the end of a hallway or in the bedroom. This will help create a constant colour flow throughout the apartment.

Use wallpaper behind the television to add much-needed pattern and texture to the room. I love the Art Deco feel of Graham & Brown's Illusion wallpaper (\$60/roll), which highlights the square edges you have in your furniture. The good thing about wallpaper these days is that it's easily removed (simply peel) when you move out or change your colour scheme.

Hang something sculptural to help fill the empty space above the television, but not an attention-grabber like a large wall clock or painting.

The Starburst mirror from Crate and Barrel (\$247) has great Art Deco elements that will add a sculptural quality to the space. Hang it in the centre of the empty wall space, not directly above the television.

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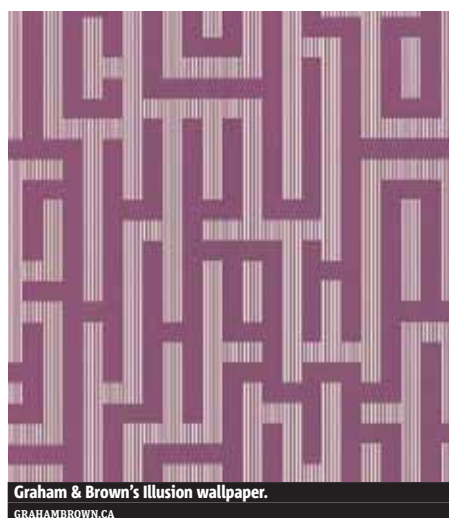
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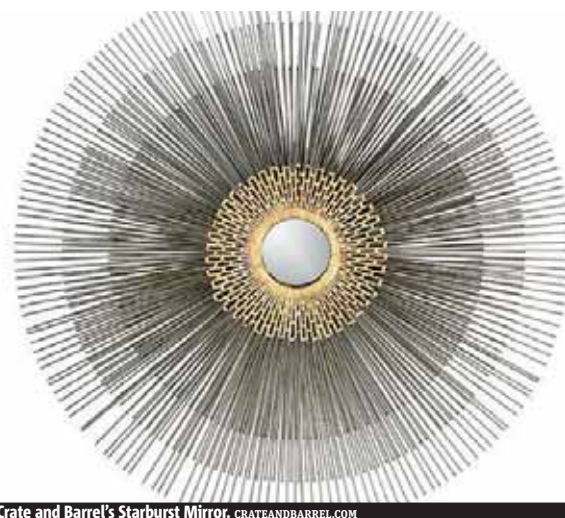
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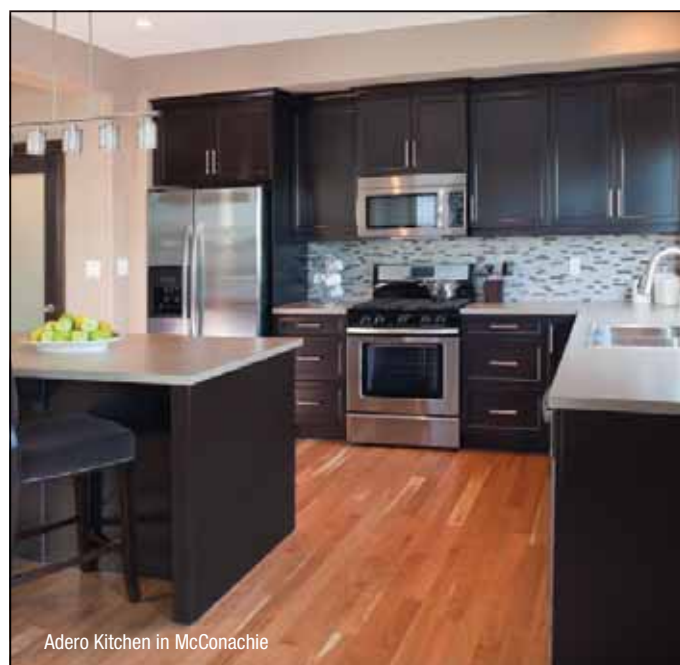
This living room needs decorative interest on the empty wall behind the television. HANDOUT



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Give your home a spring refresh

DIY. With spring in the air, now is a perfect time to breathe new life into your home's exterior and interior

Whether you're thinking of selling your home or craving some updates, there's no better time to breathe some new life into it than in the spring. Sweat Equity's Amy Matthews helps homeowners tackle projects themselves and gives tips and techniques on saving money along the way.

We've assembled some of Amy's sound advice for increasing property value while transforming spaces into something you'll be proud to call home.

Sometimes it's the outside that counts

With spring in the air, now is a great time to give the exterior of your house some love and care.

Replacing exterior siding and rejuvenating landscaping is a sure way to increase property value while also making it feel like you're returning to a brand new space.

Using upscale siding has a high return on investment as it will provide proper protection



Painting is an easy way to make any room feel brand new. ISTOCK IMAGES

from the elements, which can eliminate the need for maintenance projects down the line.

Try to keep lawn improvements on par with other homes in your neighbourhood, while ensuring that basics such as a full green lawn and groomed

shrubbery are checked off your list.

Colourful spring flowers are cheerful to come home to and can highlight a home's best features, such as complementing the colour of a new front door or accenting a walkway or deck.

Interior care

After admiring your home's refreshed exterior, why not continue the new look inside?

Painting is an easy way to make any room feel brand new. Stay away from uniform neu-

trals and try different colours in the various rooms of your house — maybe even consider an accent wall in your living room or bedroom.

If you're thinking of selling, remember that choosing the right colour can really pay

off since it makes a first impression when walking into a space.

Too extreme a colour can turn potential buyers away. It's also best to stay away from wallpaper if you're thinking of selling because it is unlikely that potential buyers will share your taste in patterns and removal can be costly.

Bathroom updates

As long as it's running efficiently, keep bathroom plumbing as is and focus on surface upgrades such as installing modern fixtures on cabinets, showers and sinks — this is a sure way to build some real sweat equity.

Installing a new tile floor will also do wonders to refresh the space. Cost permitting, consider continuing tile up the walls to the ceiling — it not only looks great but is a lot easier to keep clean than paint.

Before installing flooring, consider purchasing an updated vanity and toilet to complete the new look. Focused lighting can create a spa-like sensation, regardless of how small the space.

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Isn't that pinteresting?

Pinterest is a relative newcomer to social media, but it has changed the way that many crafters and do-it-yourselfers organize and share ideas.

"It should be called Jessa Decker-Smith's Interests. It's made for me," says Jessa Decker-Smith of Denver, who writes a craft blog called Happily Home Sewn.

She says she spent "a solid two or three days obsessing" about Pinterest when she signed on a few months ago. She uses it to find, organize and share sewing projects and crafts, mostly, but also recipes, fashion and organizing tips.

Pinterest is an online pinboard to which you "pin" favourite pictures and ideas. It's a public display of personal tastes and interest. Subjects include travel, food, home decorating — whatever you can think of — but craft bloggers were among the first to catch the Pinterest bug, according to Lauren Indvik, an editor at the social media news blog Mashable.com.

Decker-Smith's friend and fellow crafter Kristin Cunningham, uses Pinterest for hunting down home-schooling projects for her two young kids, and pins gardening ideas and workout routines. Both women like that the images they pin on Pinterest entice new readers to their blogs.

No matter how many times



Decouped eggs used as a pinned image on Pinterest, the virtual pin board for sharing images and ideas. JESSA DECKER-SMITH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

an item is re-pinned, viewers are taken to its original site — something that works well for media empires such as Martha Stewart Living, which employs "an army" of pinners to keep it among the top brands getting pinned, according to Kelly Alfieri, digital editorial director for Martha Stewart Living.

Other big names that get a lot of Pinterest play include Better Homes & Gardens, HGTV, Whole Foods Market and West Elm.

"Now we have a way for our images to be portable and have those images drive people back to the (web)site," says Alfieri.

And because Martha Stew-

art Living editors can track which items get pinned and how often, they know that crafting is by far their most popular subject. Alfieri says about 22,000 people follow Martha Stewart Living on Pinterest, but 45,000 people keep track of its crafting boards.

"I think that's the Pinterest audience," says Alfieri. "It's a lot of crafters."

Success on Pinterest may lead to changes in the Martha Stewart Living magazine and online site.

Although crafts have long been a focus, "We realize we have to ramp up our crafts on the website and in the magazine," says Alfieri.

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Economic times favour affordable quality

Trends. Mainstays of this year's Milan Furniture Fair were not about costly redecorating but democratic design

Philippe Starck says his philosophy of democratic design, or quality pieces at accessible prices, is paying off in the ongoing economic crisis.

"People are intelligent. They want quality. They want a high level of creativity, but everyone (has) less money," Starck said during the recent Milan Furniture Fair.

The times favour the kind of creative impulse that led to his collaboration with the Italian design company Kartell, which specializes in plastic contemporary furniture.

In that mood, the mainstays of this year's Milan Furniture Fair were not about costly redecorating. Instead, designers showcased a few pieces that inspire as well

as technological advances to make life easier.

Starck presented Miss Less, a glossy-plastic chair formed on a slim backrest atop a square base, as well as aluminum-candlestick holders that when placed together appear to be lost in an embrace called Abbracciaio.

Despite the crisis, which has seen Italian furniture revenues decrease by five per cent in 2011 from 2010, requests for space at the Rho Fairgrounds outside Milan outstripped availability, organizers said.

The event attracted 300,000 visitors with events that spill over into showrooms, museums and design spaces throughout the city.

And it's not just furniture-makers competing for the attention of the design community.

The Tumi luggage and accessories brand chose the event to create buzz around a new line of lightweight hard luggage designed by Israeli designer Dror Benshetrit. The sleek Dror collection features angular-cut surfaces, giving the pieces a modern esthetic that also employs an engineering trick to give added resistance.

In a more traditional vein, Knoll premiered a new line of contemporary lounge furniture that it commissioned from French designers Pierre Beucler and Jean-Christophe Poggioni.

The pair created a cinematographic collection of sofas, armchairs and chaise lounges. They spent months testing the cushions to get the correct firmness for the seats and softness for the backrests.

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A view of fabrics from Missoni Home during Milan's Furnishing Accessories Exhibition. ANTONIO CALANNI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Design exhibits

A stroll through Milan during the fair revealed surprises at nearly every turn. At the Triennale Design Museum, acrobats performed amid design objects and percussionists filled the halls with dissonance.

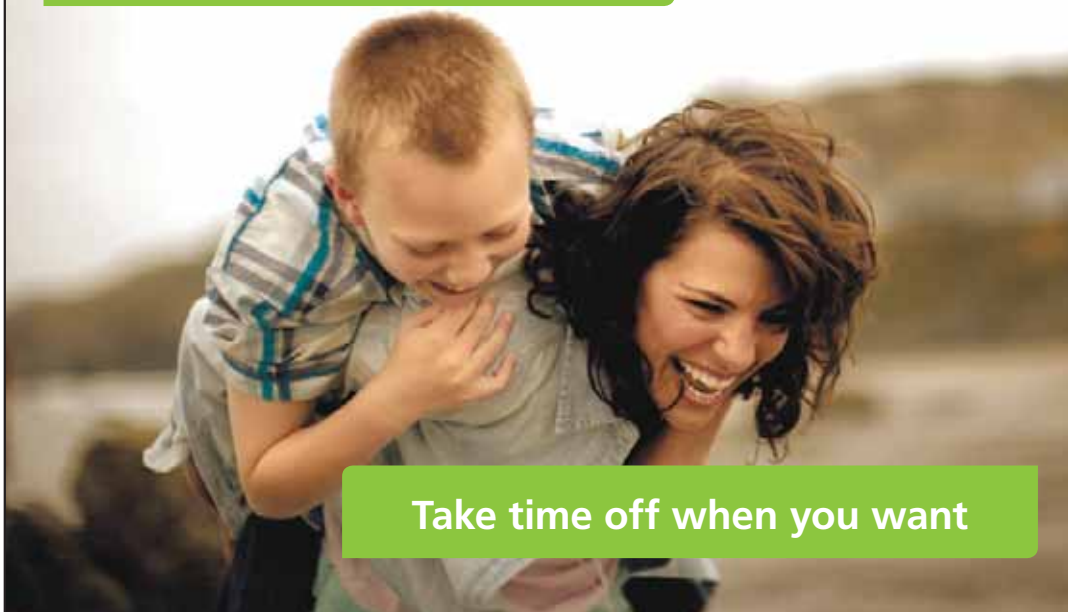
- An exhibit of miniaturized chairs from the Vitra Design Museum was on display at the Hugo Boss San Babila boutique, from Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's Barcelona chair to Marcel Breuer's Wassily.

- Anyone with an iPhone could discover a virtual exhibit of impossible designs at five locations in Milan, including the piazza outside of La Scala.

- There, artist Denis Santachiara planted his notion of a design project that would never be realized: personalized urns. A client could order many small urns, creating small memorials with personalized inscriptions to leave to loved ones.

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A kitchen designed by Franke Home. ANTONIO CALANNI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A sofa from Edra Home at Milan's Furnishing Accessories Exhibition. ANTONIO CALANNI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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SPORTS

CFL draft

"I just want to go to a place that wants me and whatever team drafts me will want me. It will be interesting to see how things unfold."

Ben Heenan on Wednesday. The six-foot-four, 310-pound Saskatchewan Huskies offensive lineman remains the overwhelming favourite to go first overall in Thursday's draft. The Saskatchewan Roughriders hold the No. 1 pick. Roughriders' GM Brendan Taman to entertain trade offers for the No. 1 pick. But as of Wednesday no club had met Taman's asking price of a 2012 first-round pick, a future selection and/or a Canadian-born player.

Canadian Championship

FC Edmonton lose first leg

Eric Hassli finally scored his first goal of the season and the Vancouver Whitecaps beat FC Edmonton 2-0 Wednesday in the first leg of their Amway Canadian Championship semifinal. The Whitecaps will return home with an impressive lead when the second leg of the series is played at Vancouver's BC Place next Wednesday.

On the web



Last year, the Dallas Mavericks topped the Oklahoma City Thunder en route to their first-ever NBA championship. In the playoff rematch a year later, the young Thunder appear to have learned from that defeat and are well on their way to sending the Mavs to an early exit. Scan the code for the story.

Sports in pictures



1 Soccer.

Muamba

returns to Bolton

Fabrice Muamba made an emotional return to Bolton Wednesday, waving to supporters from the field less than seven weeks after his on-field cardiac arrest. The midfielder was introduced to a standing ovation ahead of Bolton's match against Tottenham.

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2 NHL. Habs find their man

The Montreal Canadiens believe they have found the man who can lead them back up the standings, saying new GM Marc Bergevin is the total package.

The club introduced the Chicago assistant GM and former NHL defenceman as its new general manager Wednesday, just over a month after firing Pierre Gauthier. THE CANADIAN PRESS

3 NBA. Award for Chandler

Tyson Chandler, the catalyst for the New York Knicks' defensive improvement, was voted the NBA's Defensive Player of the Year on Wednesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Predators pull it together at home against the Coyotes

Patric Hornqvist of the Predators chases the puck while pursued the Phoenix's Martin Hanzal in Nashville on Wednesday night. David Legwand and Mike Fisher scored and Pekka Rinne stopped all 32 shots he faced as the Predators topped the Coyotes 2-0 in Game 3 of their best-of-seven after dropping the first two games in Arizona. FREDERICK BREEDON/GETTY IMAGES

Devils put pitchfork in Flyers' road to Round 3

NHL. Philadelphia not so dominant vs. hard-working New Jersey

After Philadelphia rolled over Pittsburgh in Round 1 of the playoffs, there was a perception the Flyers would be the team to beat in the Eastern Conference. Deep. Driven. Determined. You name it.

Getting by New Jersey in the

second round seemingly was a given, especially after the No. 6 seed Devils needed seven games to knock off Florida.

Well, it's time to revise that perception. Because, with Game 3 on tap Thursday in New Jersey, this series is tied, 1-1.

The Devils not only showed they could play with the Flyers in splitting the first two games in Philadelphia; they could easily be leading 2-0 in the series. They lost Game 1 4-3 in over-

time and dominated in a 4-1, Game 2 win Tuesday without leading scorer Ilya Kovalchuk.

"I think there is a pressure with being a favourite in a series," Devils coach Peter DeBoer said Wednesday. "We felt that in the Florida series, and I don't think there is any doubt that it is on Philadelphia. That is something that isn't easy to deal with, when you are supposed to win and, not only win, but win convincingly."

The Devils clearly outworked the Flyers in Game 2. They outshot Philadelphia 35-20 and only Ilya Bryzgalov's stellar goaltending allowed the home team to hold a 1-0 lead after two periods.

But New Jersey blew the game open with four consecutive goals in the third. In doing so, the Devils took home-ice advantage — and confidence — back to New Jersey.

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NFL. Former linebacker Seau found dead at home

Former NFL star Junior Seau was found shot to death at his home Wednesday morning in what police said appeared to be a suicide. He was 43.

Police Chief Frank McCoy said Seau's girlfriend reported finding him unconscious with a gunshot wound to the chest and lifesaving efforts were unsuccessful.

A gun was found near him, McCoy said. Police said no suicide note was found and they didn't immediately know who the gun was registered to.

Seau's mother appeared



Junior Seau

CHARLES KRUPA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

before reporters, weeping uncontrollably.

"I don't understand ... I'm shocked," Luisa Seau cried out.

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MLB. 'I could have' misunderstood Clemens, Pettitte tells defence

With two short answers, Andy Pettitte called into question the validity of his testimony against Roger Clemens, part of a discouraging day for prosecutors in the retrial of the seven-time Cy Young Award winner.

After stumbling his way to a mistrial of Clemens last year, the government is struggling again in the retrial — to the point that the crux of Pettitte's testimony might be tossed out. First, the exasperated judge criticized the questioning of

Pettitte on Wednesday, then he ruled against prosecutors in another matter. Finally he cried out: "You're taking positions that are totally absurd to me."

During cross-examination, Clemens' lawyers asked if Pettitte might have misunderstood when Clemens supposedly acknowledged using human growth hormone to Pettitte in a conversation during the 1999-2000 off-season?

"I could have," Pettitte answered. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB									
AMERICAN LEAGUE					NATIONAL LEAGUE				
EAST DIVISION					EAST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	17	8	.680	—	Washington	15	9	.625	—
Baltimore	16	9	.640	1	Atlanta	15	10	.600	½
Toronto	14	11	.560	3	New York	13	12	.520	2½
New York	13	11	.542	3½	Philadelphia	12	13	.480	3½
Boston	11	13	.458	5½	Miami	9	14	.391	5½
CENTRAL DIVISION					CENTRAL DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	12	10	.545	—	St. Louis	16	8	.667	—
Chicago	12	12	.500	1	Cincinnati	11	12	.478	4½
Detroit	12	12	.500	1	Houston	11	14	.440	5½
Kansas City	7	16	.304	5½	Milwaukee	11	14	.440	5½
Minnesota	6	17	.261	6½	Pittsburgh	10	14	.417	6
WEST DIVISION					WEST DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB		W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	17	8	.680	—	Los Angeles	17	8	.680	—
Oakland	13	13	.500	4½	San Francisco	12	11	.522	4
Seattle	11	15	.423	6½	Arizona	13	12	.520	4
Los Angeles	9	15	.375	7½	Colorado	12	12	.500	4½

Yesterday's results
Toronto 11 Texas 5
Baltimore 5 N.Y. Yankees 0
Cleveland 6 Chicago White Sox 3
Kansas City 3 Detroit 2
Oakland 4 Boston 2
Tampa Bay 5 Seattle 4
Minnesota at L.A. Angels
Tuesday's results
Toronto 8 Texas 7
Baltimore 7 N.Y. Yankees 1
Chicago White Sox 7 Cleveland 2
Detroit 9 Kansas City 3
L.A. Angels 4 Minnesota 0
Oakland 5 Boston 3
Tampa Bay 3 Seattle 1
Today's games — All Times Eastern
Seattle (Millwood 0-2) at Tampa Bay (Nie-
mann 1-3), 1:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Masterson 0-2) at Chicago White
Sox (Danks 2-3), 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 0-0) at Kansas City
(Duffy 1-2), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Morrow 2-1) at L.A. Angels (Haren 1-1),
10:05 p.m.

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Napoli 1b	3	0	1	1		Encrcb 1b	4	1	1	3
N.Cruz rf	4	0	0	0		BFrcns dh	3	1	2	0
Torreal c	4	0	0	0		Lawrie 3b	4	0	0	0
AGnztz ss	4	0	0	0		Thams lf	3	1	1	0
BSnydr lf	2	2	1	1		Arncnc lf	4	1	2	2
DvMpr ph	1	0	0	0		RDavis cf	2	2	1	0
Gentry cf	2	1	1	0		RSmcs cf	2	0	0	0
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Totals	33	5	6	5		Totals	34	11	11	11

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Toronto 002 603 00x —11
E—K.Johnson (5), LOB—Texas 5, Toronto 4.
2B—Andrus (5), Y.Escobar (4), Thames (4),
Arenclbia (4), 3B—Y.Escobar (1), HR—
B.Snyder (1), K.Johnson (6), Encarnacion (9).
SF—Napoli, Bautista.
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WP—M.Harrison, PB—Arenclbia.
Umpires—Home, Andy Fletcher; First, Rob Drake;
Second, Joe West; Third, Sam Holbrook.
T—2:45. A—25,123 (49,260) at Toronto.

NHL PLAYOFFS									
STANLEY CUP					PREDATORS 2, COYOTES 0				
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS					First Period				
(Best-of-7)					1. Nashville, Legwand 3 (Bourque) 8:10				
All Times Eastern					2. Nashville, Fisher 1 (S.Kostitsyn, Erat) 9:16				
EASTERN CONFERENCE					Penalties — Pouliot Phx (holding stick) 5:04, Fisher Nash (interference) 11:04, Legwand Nash (hooking) 15:39, Morris Phx (hooking) 17:29.				
N.Y. RANGERS (1) VS. WASHINGTON (7)					Second Period				
(N.Y. Rangers lead series 2-1)					No Scoring.				
Last night's result					Penalties — Aucoin Phx (interference) 5:58, Morris Pho (cross-checking) 15:18.				
N.Y. Rangers 2 Washington 1 (3OT)					Third Period				
Saturday's game					No Scoring.				
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 12:30 p.m.					Penalties — Morris Phx (cross-checking) 9:38, S.Kostitsyn Nash (hooking) 12:59, Erat Nash (tripping) 14:18.				
Monday, May 7					Shots on goal by				
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.					Phoenix 10 12 10 — 32				
Wednesday, May 9					Nashville 8 8 10 — 26				
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, TBA					Goal — Phoenix: M.Smith (L,6-3-0); Nashville: Rinne (W,5-3-0). Power plays (goals-chances)				
Saturday, May 12					— Phoenix: 0-4; Nashville: 0-5.				
x-Washington at N.Y. Rangers, TBA					Referees — Eric Furlatt, Stephen Walkom.				
PHILADELPHIA (5) VS. NEW JERSEY (6)					Linesmen — Brian Murphy, Jonny Murray.				
(Series tied 1-1)					Att. — 17,113 (17,113) at Nashville, Tenn.				
Tuesday's result					SCORING LEADERS				
Philadelphia 4 Philadelphia 1									
Tonight's game									
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.									
Sunday's game									
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.									
Tuesday, May 8									
New Jersey at Philadelphia, TBA									
Thursday, May 10									
x-Philadelphia at New Jersey, TBA									
Saturday, May 12									
x-New Jersey at Philadelphia, TBA									
WESTERN CONFERENCE									
ST. LOUIS (2) VS. LOS ANGELES (8)									
(Los Angeles leads series 2-0)									
Monday's result									
Los Angeles 5 St. Louis 2									
Tonight's game									
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.									
Sunday's game									
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.									
Tuesday, May 8									
x-Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA									
Thursday, May 10									
x-St. Louis at Los Angeles, TBA									
Saturday, May 12									
x-Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA									
PHOENIX (3) VS. NASHVILLE (4)									
(Phoenix leads series 2-1)									
Last night's result									
Nashville 2 Phoenix 0									
Tomorrow's game									
Phoenix at Nashville, 7:30 p.m.									
Monday, May 7									
Nashville at Phoenix, 10 p.m.									
x — played only if necessary.									

HOCKEY									
IIHF MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ROSTER									
Canadian roster for the IIHF men's world championship which begins tomorrow through May 20 in Helsinki and Stockholm (with position, name, hometown and NHL club; x-withdrew due to injury):									
Goaltenders									
Devan Dubnyk, Calgary, Edmonton; Matt Hackett, London, Ont., Minnesota; Cam Ward, Sherwood Park, Alta., Carolina.									
Defencemen									
Jay Bouwmeester, Edmonton, Calgary; Duncan Keith, Peniticon, B.C., Chicago; Marc Methot, Ottawa, Columbus; Dion Phaneuf, Edmonton, Toronto; Luke Schenn, Saskatoon, Toronto; x-PK Subban, Toronto, Montreal; Marc-Edouard Vlasic, Beaconsfield, Que., San Jose.									
Forwards									
Jamie Benn, Victoria, Dallas; Alexandre Burrows, Pincourt, Que., Vancouver; Jordan Eberle, Regina, Edmonton; Ryan Getzlaf, Regina, Anaheim; Evander Kane, Vancouver, Winnipeg; Andrew Ladd, Maple Ridge, B.C., Winnipeg; Ryan Nugent- Hopkins, Burnaby, B.C., Edmonton; Ryan O'Reilly, Clinton, Ont., Colorado; Corey Perry, Peterborough, Ont., Anaheim; Teddy Purcell, St. John's, N.L., Tampa Bay.									
Patrick Sharp, Thunder Bay, Ont., Chicago; Jeff Skinner, Markham, Ont., Carolina; John Tavares, Oakville, Ont., N.Y. Islanders.									
Head Coach — Brent Sutter, Viking, Alta.									
Assistant Coaches — Guy Boucher, West Island, Que.; Kirk Muller, Carolina.									

Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA

Thursday, May 10

x-St. Louis at Los Angeles, TBA

Saturday, May 12

x-Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA

PHOENIX (3) VS. NASHVILLE (4)

(Phoenix leads series 2-1)

Last night's result

Nashville 2 Phoenix 0

Tomorrow's game

Phoenix at Nashville, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, May 7

Nashville at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

x — played only if necessary.

LACROSSE

NLL PLAYOFFS

DIVISION SEMIFINALS

EAST DIVISION

Tomorrow's game

All Times Eastern

Philadelphia at Rochester, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's game

Buffalo at Toronto, 7 p.m.

WEST DIVISION

Saturday's game

Minnesota at Colorado, 7:30 p.m.

Edmonton at Calgary, 9 p.m.

DIVISION FINALS

EAST

Philadelphia-Rochester winner vs. Buffalo-

Toronto winner, Sites and times TBD

WEST

Minnesota-Colorado winner vs. Edmonton-

Calgary winner, Sites and times TBD

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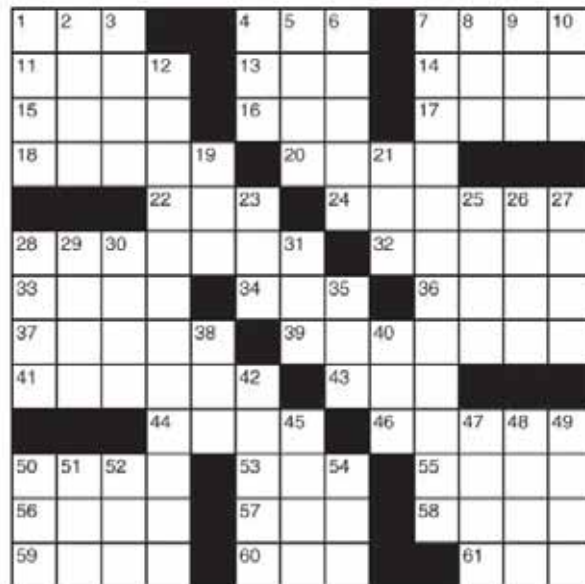
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Crossword

Across

1 Kettle and Bell
4 Tummy muscles
7 Connect
11 "Yeah, right"
13 Famed vaudeville family name
14 "Do — others ..."
15 Burn somewhat
16 Can material
17 Birds' home
18 Necklace carving
20 Earring site
22 Chips accessory
24 Sweet tasting
28 Red
32 A portrayer of 007
33 California town
34 Manhandle
36 Gear teeth
37 Play out
39 Vegas winnings
41 Skin-related
43 Homer's interjection
44 Culture medium
46 Refuge
50 State with conviction
53 Gratuities
55 Start over
56 Platter
57 Bookkeeper (Abbr.)
58 Adolescent

59 "You do the —"
60 Do some tailoring
61 Tatter
Down
1 Not fem.
2 On the briny
3 Thailand, once
4 Sternward
5 Seethe
6 Religious council
7 "Lassie" actress
8 Indivisible
9 With 10-Down, "— Unusual"
10 See 9-Down
12 "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" Oscar winner
19 Tin Man's need
21 Vagrant
23 Energy
25 Hen pen
26 Therefore
27 Examination
28 Coaster
29 Traffic pylon
30 Hebrew month
31 — Mahal
35 Bankroll
38 Playground game
40 Dove's comment
42 Gate fastener
45 Mature
47 Prognosticator



48 Notion
49 Composer's creation
50 Navy bigwig (Abbr.)

51 By way of
52 Superlative ending
54 Singer Tillis

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

NZ MEBUOEYL YUHEXKHUY
URTWEMNSUM OL LEA. N
URTUH HGKH BNFH GKSU K
OWKMHNXF UZZUIH EX LEA.
Saturday's Cryptoquip: IF A PERSON IS WAY
TOO FOND OF FRIGATES AND DESTROYERS,
SOME MIGHT SAY IT'S WARSHIP WORSHIP.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals Y

Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

You would be wise to keep your money in your pocket today. Whatever gains you have made in recent weeks, you could lose.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

Your persuasive powers are such that anyone will believe what you tell them. Should you take advantage of that fact financially? Of course.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

Plans you made a long time ago are beginning to bear fruit, so keep your nerve and keep things moving.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

Go out of your way to talk with people you don't usually get along with. It pays to be friendly.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

Try to be a more ambitious and more assertive. Let important people know you're ready to move up.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Anyone who tries to scare you into doing something you don't want to do will fail abysmally.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

You may be tempted to bet against the odds today but before you gamble with your future, ask yourself whether you can afford to lose.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

Don't keep your feelings to yourself today. Show emotions. People will respond to you better if they can see that you are vulnerable.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

According to the planets, you need to streamline your daily routine so you have more time to yourself.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

Don't waste time lamenting your run of bad fortune because it is already beginning to end.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

When pushed to extremes, you can mix it with the best of them and today you must not allow yourself to be defamed by someone.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

You may be a nice guy but every now and then you go right the other way and reveal your ruthless streak.

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Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



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TODAY



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FRIDAY



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MIN: 6°

SATURDAY



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MIN: 4°

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of AIR MILES®
reward miles
available to
be earned

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OLD NAVY

May 4-6, earn

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reward miles
on purchases of \$40 or more.[†]

THE CHILDREN'S
PLACE

May 4-6, earn

10 BONUS
AIR MILES
reward miles
on purchases of \$50 or more.^{††}

Toys R Us
Babies R Us

May 4-6, earn

5x the
AIR MILES
reward miles
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May 4-6, earn

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AIR MILES
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50 BONUS
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1,000 BONUS
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3x the
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when you book a Transat Holidays
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reward miles
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[†]Bonus offer valid at participating Old Navy store locations in Alberta from May 4-6, 2012 when you present your Collector Card at time of purchase. Earn 10 Bonus AIR MILES reward miles when you spend \$40 or more, excluding taxes, discounts, prior purchases, and purchases of gift cards. Offer not valid online. If you return some or all merchandise of the qualifying purchase, the earned reward miles may be forfeited. No coupon required. ^{††}Bonus AIR MILES offer is valid May 4-6, 2012 when you present your Collector Card at the time of purchase. Offer not valid on online purchases. No coupon required. Valid for a minimum purchase of \$50 in a single transaction, net of refunds and exclusive of taxes, discounts, and gift card purchases. Offer cannot be combined with any other AIR MILES Bonus offer. This is an exclusive offer and is non-transferable. The Children's Place reserves the right to change or cancel the offer at any time. ^{†††}Offer valid May 4-6, 2012 after all discounts and exclusions are applied. 5x Bonus offer applies to base reward miles earned in a single transaction. Base offer is 1 AIR MILES reward mile for every \$25 spent at Toys"R"Us or Babies"R"Us locations in Canada (excluding Quebec) in each calendar month, after all discounts and exclusions are applied. Exclusions include, but are not limited to: all taxes, delivery services, assembly services, buyer protection plans, all gift cards, electronic levies, charitable donations, environmental fees, other third party fees and online orders created at store and shipped to customer. Other exclusions may apply. AIR MILES Vendor Bonus offers are only applicable to in stock merchandise for the duration of the flyer. AIR MILES reward miles offers not available for online purchases. See store for details. [‡]Offer valid May 4-6, 2012. Earn 10x the AIR MILES reward miles on each item when total purchase is over \$100 (excluding taxes). Base offer is 1 reward mile for every \$20 spent excluding online shipping and taxes. Bonus offer applies to each item when the purchase totals the required amount. No coupon required. Limit 1 offer per transaction. Offer cannot be combined with any other offer. No cash value. Offer valid at time of purchase only, applies to total base reward miles earned and cannot be combined with any other offer. Please allow up to 90 days after the offer end date for Bonus reward miles to appear within your Collector Account. ^{‡‡}Offer valid May 3-13, 2012. Earn 50 Bonus AIR MILES reward miles on an eligible purchase with a net transaction of \$300 or more in a single transaction, after discounts and before taxes. Offer excludes gift card purchases and prior purchases. No coupon required. Other exclusions may apply. See Jewellery Consultant for details. ^{‡‡‡}Offer valid May 3-9, 2012 inclusive. Earn Bonus AIR MILES reward miles when you spend at least \$50 in a single transaction, excluding taxes, disposal surcharges and Membership Fees, at participating Visions Electronics locations in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. No coupon required. Collector Card must be presented at the time of purchase. Offer not valid for online purchases. Offer cannot be applied to previous purchases or combined with any other AIR MILES discount or Bonus offer. Offer not open to Visions Electronics employees. No cash surrender on this AIR MILES offer. Actual awarded Bonus reward miles vary based on purchase amount. Other exclusions may apply. See in-store for details. ^{††††}Offer is valid on new, individual Transat Holidays vacation packages only including airfare and a minimum of 7 nights accommodation at an Occidental Hotels and Resorts property booked between May 4-6, 2012 for departures May 4 – October 31, 2012. Not applicable on group rates, child fares or last-minute bookings (21 days or less prior to departure). Bonus offer cannot be combined with any other promotional offer. Limit of one Bonus offer per room booked. Other conditions may apply. Full offer details are available from your Marlin Travel Professional. Marlin Travel is a division of Transat Distribution Canada Inc. ON Reg. #50015084, BC Reg. #23567. Head Office: 191 The West Mall, Suite 700, Etobicoke, ON, M9C 5K8. Offer code: SRSP120C. ©1999 Trademarks of AIR MILES International Trading B.V. Used under license by LoyaltyOne, Inc. Sponsor trademarks are owned by the respective Sponsor or authorized for their use in Canada.

